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BEAVERHEAD and BIG HOLE

River rules amended

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Last week, the Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission amended the rules pertaining to outfitters' use of temporary client days on the Beaverhead and Big Hole rivers.

"The amendments now in effect prohibit outfitters who have surrendered or transferred their client days, or who have had their permit revoked, from applying for temporary client days," according to a Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks release.

Every five years, the rules for the Beaverhead and Big Hole rivers are reviewed to "assess their effectiveness," according to a FWP press release.

Prior to the most recent decision by the commission, the rules were last made effective on July 29, 2010, so they were due for an update.

"In the past it was possible for experienced outfitters to surrender or sell their Big Hole River and Beaverhead River permits and then apply for temporary client days, limiting the ability of less experienced outfitters to do business on the rivers," the release states. "The commission proposed the amendments to support the original intent of the rules – giving small, river outfitting businesses a chance to obtain a temporary client day permit on the Big Hole River or Beaverhead River. The change will not increase or decrease the number of permits and will have no affect on the use of the rivers."

The next review of the rules for the rivers will occur in 2020.

Joe Dilschneider, Ennis-based outfitter, has days on the Big Hole and Beaverhead rivers. He said he does not know too much about the recent

"I don't have a strong opinion," Dischneider said. "It seems to me to be logical."

Use of the rivers

In 1999, the Beaverhead and Big Hole rivers were facing issues with overcrowding, and the Fish and Wildlife Commission implemented rules that included restrictions on float outfitting and non-resident float fishing on certain days of the week for specified sections of the rivers. The rules also limit the number of boats that may be launched per day at official access sites.

"Outfitters that could show historic use were given as many days as they had ever used in the peak season," explained, Sam Sheppard, FWP region three supervisor. "Which gave them a guaranteed business model in the peak season – they knew how many days they had."

The structure also limited competition; for a new outfitter to get days on the rivers, they either have to buy out someone's existing business, or go through a temporary client use days, which are limited, Sheppard said.

Sheppard said the conversation about overcrowding started with residents, some sportsman's groups and also some outfitters.

"(There was) crowding and increased use," he said. "And a level of dissatisfaction of resident angler experience."

Dilschneider guided on the rivers before the recreation-based rules were in place, and said those rules were implemented to deal with social issues, not the fishery.

"It wasn't about the resource," he said. "I think the rules are strictly for managing recreation."

Dilschneider said it is somewhat "vague" to say the rivers were facing issues with overcrowding.

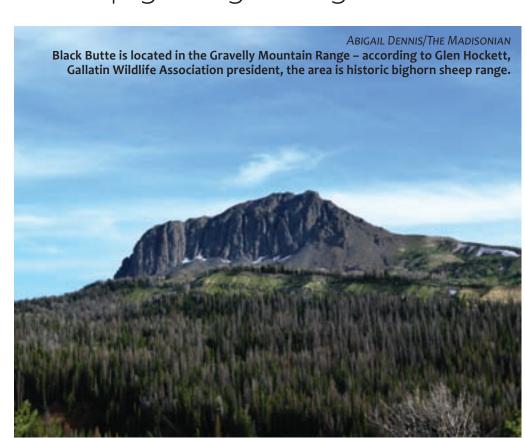
"They were crowded, but at times," he said. "It's like the Madison (River). If you show up right now or next week, it is very busy. So there were seasonal times (the Big Hole and Beaverhead rivers) were busy."





SHEEP IN THE GRAVELLYS

Federal judge orders Forest Service examine impacts of domestic sheep grazing on bighorn herd



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On June 14, United States District Court Judge Brian Morris made a ruling in a lawsuit involving the Gallatin Wildlife Association, the U.S. Forest Service, Helle Livestock and Montana Wool Growers Association

Judge Morris ruled the Forest Service "violated its obligations under (National Environmental Policy Act)" when it failed to disclose agreements between the agency and ranchers with sheep allotments in the Gravelly Mountains. In addition, Judge Morris indicated the Forest Service had not completed enough analysis on two domestic sheep allotments in the Gravelly Mountains.

GWA filed the suit against the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest because "the (Forest Service) has failed to analyze the impact of sheep allotments on bighorn sheep and grizzly bears," according to GWA president Glenn Hockett.

"We're concerned about the overall viability of bighorn sheep across the national forest ... We couldn't find any other way to go forward except for a lawsuit," Hockett said. "We could not get them to analyze the significant effects of these allotments."

The allotments in question are used by the extended Helle family out of Dillon – Helle Livestock and Rebish/Konen Livestock have a total of six Forest Service allotments in the Gravelly Mountains where they graze a few bands of sheep for the summer months.

John Helle, of Helle Livestock, said lawsuits like this are not good for the Forest Service or for agriculture.

"It pits us against wildlife advocates," Helle said. "There is a lot of misinformation that radical environmental extremists are portraying in the press, but that's what they do."

Judge Morris' June 14 order mandates the BDNF craft a supplemental environmental impact statement, essentially going back through the NEPA process and analyzing the environmental impacts of domestic sheep grazing – the BNDF

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Vehicle versus motorcycle crash

June 30, 2016

One person life flighted from scene south of Cameron

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On Sunday, June 26, a vehicle and motor-cycle collided on U.S. Highway 287 south of Cameron between mileposts 20 and 21, according to the Madison County Sheriff's Office.

"The first call came in at 12:49 (p.m.)," said sheriff's deputy Missy Wood. "The motorcyclist was taken out by life flight."

Air Idaho Rescue life flighted the victim. Ennis Ambulance, Madison Valley Rural Fire District and Montana Highway Patrol responded to the crash in addition to the sheriff's office.

As of Monday, June 27, Wood did not know the status of the victim.

SHERIDAN TOWN NEWS

Council reviews proposed sign; waits for water line grant

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The Sheridan town council met for their monthly meeting on June 22 to discuss a proposed sign on Main Street and hear an update on the Moore Lane water and sewer line project.

A Main Street business appeared before the council asking for permission to place a sign on city property in an effort to hopefully draw more attention to the business. The business sits just off Main Street behind the Main Street Park, which is owned by the city.

"There is a slab of concrete on the corner of Mill (Street) and Main Street where they would like to mount a sign," said councilman Bob Stump. "There are several other signs there so it would have to be really high."

Though the town of Sheridan does not have a specific ordinance regarding signs, the only concern councilmembers had was the structural ability of the concrete slab to hold the sign.

"It's my opinion, if that is just a four inch slab, should we have a windy day, that sign would just topple right over," Stump said.

According to Stump, the business owners are looking to meet with an engineer to determine the structural status of the slab, while the town meets with their insurance company about any potential liability on the town.

Stump also said the town is still waiting on grant approval for the Moore Lane water and sewer line project.

"We're just waiting for approval right now ... that project probably won't happen until the next calendar year," he said.

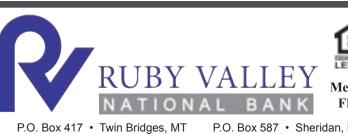
Back in January, after the town's preliminary engineering report from Great West Engineering, the town did a "band aid fix" on the Moore Lane sewer main that was pitching and causing the main to drain the wrong way, according to Mayor Tom Shaffer.

"We're still waiting for a task order to determine what our needs are there," said Shaffer.

Though the Moore Lane project was not originally part of the town's PER with Great West Engineering, Shaffer said they are hoping to budget into the PER after determining a water line they thought would need to be replaced will not need to be updated.

"Great West Engineering is looking to see if that will be feasible," said Shaffer, adding that because the grant they received is a water grant,

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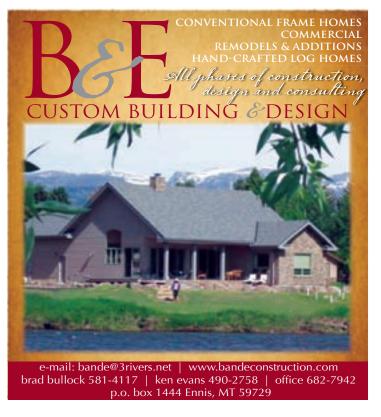
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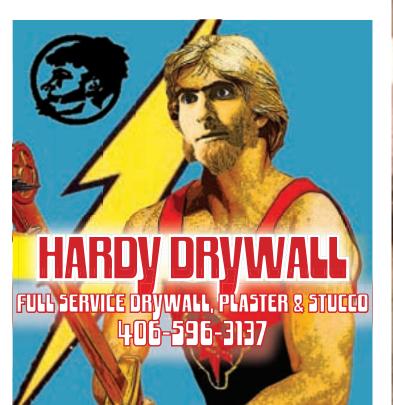
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must provide a revised schedule to the court within 30 days of June 14, according to court documents.

In addition, Judge Morris ordered allotment plans be analyzed further pertaining to five issues GWA raised: the reintroduction of bighorn sheep, the interagency agreements, listing of bighorn sheep as a

sensitive species, information on disease transmission and the idea that bighorn sheep could be reintroduced to closed allotments.

Leona Rodreick, BDNF spokesperson, said the Forest Service is currently reviewing the court's decision, but could not comment on the issue.

Jim Brown, public policy director for Montana Wool Growers Association, said the judge's order

will be the fourth environmental analysis about grazing in relation to a herd of bighorn in the Greenhorn Mountains.

to go."

"It's a waste of taxpayer resources in terms of the Forest Service budget," Brown said. "The Forest Service has conducted its scientific environmental review and found grazing has not been adverse to the environment ... Here's the point that should be made: Domestic sheep grazing and grazing in Montana has gone on longer than there has been such a thing as a National Forest."

The history

Bighorn sheep, once abundant in Montana, suffered population decline in the late 1800s through the 1930s.

"The predecessor of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks began to reintroduce bighorn sheep in Montana during the 1940s," according to court documents. "(FWP) decided to reintroduce bighorn sheep into the Greenhorn Mountains, south of Alder, in December 2001 after having performed an environmental assessment."

That specific reintroduction is at the heart of the lawsuit, since Helle Livstock and Rebish/Konen Livestock have been permittees in the Gravelly Mountains, which encompass the Greenhorns, for generations

"Our allotments are at least 15 to 20 miles away from (the reintroduction area in the Greenhorns)," Helle explained. "Now the Forest Service has to do more analysis, but we feel this process has been analyzed plenty."

In an effort to keep bighorn sheep separate from domestic

sheep grazing the mountains, the BDNF, Bureau of Land Management and FWP entered into a memorandum of understanding with the permittees in 2002.

The MOU addressed concerns permittees had about the reintroduction of bighorn sheep and outlined specific strategies designed to avoid contact between the species to reduce the risk of disease

transmission. Those strate-"It's going to be gies include detrimental to encouraging livestock operations permittees to contact FWP if in Southwest a bighorn sheep Montana. If they can comes within do this to us, cattle a one-half mile of a domestic are next. Family sheep, providranching operations ing that permitare hinging on being tees may obtain able to transfer a kill permit from FWP to be through generations used to prevent and if you keep contact beputting more and tween wild and domestic sheep, more stresses on and more. them, they are going Then, 69

> - John Helle, Helle Livestock

> > 2004, with a set population objective of 125. "The Greenhorn herd has failed to grow since the initial transplant," the court order states. "In fact, the Green-

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Mountains in

horn herd now consists of 31 bighorn sheep as of the last observed count in April 2007."
FWP wildlife biologist Dean Waltee has been monitoring the Greenhorn bighorn herd via ground survey efforts and

via ground survey efforts and opportunistic observation to document the minimum known population, the population distribution, population vital rates and potential risk of co-mingling with domestic sheep.

"In 2014-15, I could account for a minimum of 59 individual sheep," Waltee said. "I emphasize minimum, because I am surely not observing every individual during these efforts. Because of the rough terrain they occupy and their avoidance of aircraft, these bighorn sheep are very difficult to survey. There are undoubtedly more individual sheep than I am currently documenting."

In 2015-16, Waltee accounted for a minimum of 48 individual sheep.

"The total observed has been less than the population objective stated in the bighorn conservation strategy," Waltee said. "However, the ram and lamb to ewe ratios indicate a healthy population. Ewes are producing lambs at a healthy rate. Lambs are surviving to yearling age at a healthy rate. Rams are surviving to old age classes."

Waltee also said co-mingling between domestic and bighorn sheep leads to a high likelihood of the bighorns contracting diseases.

"There is a very high likeli-

hood that the bighorn sheep will track diseases that often lead to high mortality and prolonged reduced productivity among the bighorns," Waltee said.

According to court documents, that 2002 MOU was renewed in February 2008. The MOU, however, was not disclosed in the 2009 BDNF forest plan – that "failure to disclose" is what Judge Morris cited as violation of NEPA obligations, according to the court order.

"The forest plan did not mention the three letters 'M-O-U," Helle said. "But the plan spoke in depth about the transplant itself and bighorn sheep. One of the management goals is separation between domestic sheep and bighorns, but that separation has to go both ways. All of that was outlined in the MOU."

Hockett said GWA has been "aware of the problem" since the early 2000s. He also said the Forest Service is traditionally supposed to go through the NEPA process with grazing allotments every 10 years, but due to a backlog, they kept rescheduling.

"We don't look at lawsuits as the first thing," Hockett said. "But the last alternative. They kept rescheduling and delaying the NEPA

process."

What about grazing?

GWA also requested to immediately halt sheep grazing on two allotments, which Judge Morris denied last year.

"The seeming incompatibly of bighorn sheep and domestic sheep raise problems for all parties

involved," Judge Morris wrote in his order. "The court hesitates to fashion a remedy for these failures that falls entirely on the permittees who appear to have acted in compliance with the conditions of their grazing permits."

Hockett said he believes

Hockett said he believes domestic sheep cannot graze in the Gravelly Mountains if there is going to be a viable bighorn herd there.

"The Gravelly Complex is one of the largest chunks of contiguous public land, that's why it's so important," Hockett said. "What the Judge's order has done is say (the BDNF) has to do a NEPA process, and in doing that, I hope the Forest Service will bring the best available science and say, 'we've learned a lot since we first issued these permits, and now we know something needs to change."

Hockett said he is "not completely satisfied" with Judge Morris' order, but that it is a good first step.

"The Forest Service needs to go through and look at the science and change," he said. "Will that harm the permittee? Yes. It does. We're sorry about that, but we think we should offer a monetary buy out or work out some solution where they could graze elsewhere. I know this is controversial."

Brown said the court order was "disappointing," especially for the Helle and Konen families

"The goal of GWA is to remove domestic grazing from public lands," Brown said.
"Period. It's not about good environmental science, it's an agenda. They are using the court system to have judges make policy decisions."

The National Forest Management Act calls for multiple uses on national forest land, Brown pointed out.

"One of the uses that is authorized under that act is domestic livestock grazing," he said. "What is happening is that judges are inappropriately, in our opinion, prioritizing wildlife species over any other land use, namely, livestock grazing. That doesn't comport with the multiple use mandates of the Forest Service."

The most disappointing part, in Brown's opinion, is that the Forest Service has already conducted scientific environmental reviews and found that

"We're concerned about the overall viability of bighorn bighorn mental reviews and found that domestic sheep grazing is not adverse to the Greenhorn bighorn herd.

"Yet a
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Livestock is more than a lifestyle for the Helle family – it is their livelihood.

"It's a good business that has been established for more than 100 years," he said. "We are one of the last sheep operations that use National Forest land. If you want to talk about endangered species, talk about sheep bands."

Helle said the issue has been "sensationalized" and portrayed in untrue ways.

"It's going to be detrimental to livestock operations in Southwest Montana," he said. "If they can do this to us, cattle are next. Family ranching operations are hinging on being able to transfer through generations and if you keep putting more and more stresses on them, they are going to go."

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Two rams from the Greenhorn
bighorn herd, photographed
by Montana Fish, Wildlife and
Parks wildlife biologist Dean
Waltee.



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Lending a hand to history

AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps spends month in Virginia City

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At the beginning of June, a team of seven AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps members landed in Virginia City to work with the Montana Heritage Commission.

"All the people have been really nice," said Rachel Kent, NCCC team member. "(Virginia City) is such an interesting place. We were told it has the largest Americana collection outside the Smithsonian, which is just awe inspiring."

During their first week in Madison County, the team cleaned a field near the Point of Discovery in the Alder Gulch, clearing and chipping over two tons of wood along with mowing and weed whacking three acres.

Kent, 22, is from Nebraska and said the rest of the team is from various places across the United States, including Iowa, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Illinois and Alabama.

"(NCCC) is really great because it focuses on serving communities," Kent said. "Now we're cleaning out the Methodist church in town and making it accessible and usable."

Kent said the church was full of artifacts that the team moved into storage so the building can be enjoyed by the community. According to Donny Steeley, preservation specialist with

MHC, the team has been "extremely helpful." "They have been awesome, energetic and really helpful," he said. "If they didn't come, we wouldn't have gotten (the projects)

PHOTO COURTESY RACHEL KENT An AmeriCorps team member clears out a park near the Point of Discovery in the Alder Gulch as part of a national civilian community corps project to assist the Montana Heritage



ENNIS SCHOOL

Plans for vo-tech building move forward; board discusses eligibility, attendance policies

ABIGAIL DENNIS

done at all. We just don't have the staff."

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The Ennis School Board met on June 23 at 5 p.m. and focused on two school policies that are up for review this summer: the eligibility policy and attendance policy. The board also discussed how to proceed on updates to the vo-ag building.

Eligibility policy

For the past month, an eligibility policy committee of elementary principal Brian Hilton, high school principal Rich Borden and trustees Julie Funston and Kris Inman, have met to discuss how Ennis Schools' policy should read.

"We've looked at examples of policies from other schools, and ours is the strongest out there," Inman said.

The committee approached the board with a drafted policy that includes a weekly grade check every Tuesday, where students become ineligible for extra-curriculars if they have below a 2.0 GPA or if they have two F grades, after the first week of the quarter.

"If they have one F and a 2.0 (GPA) or higher, they would be eligible but must attend study table," Hilton said. "If they are ineligible, they would not

travel for games. But they could practice if they attend study table."

Trustee Chad Coffman said he will not vote for a policy that allows students to play with a F.

"We're not going to make everybody happy," Hilton said. "This is something that gives standards for our kids to meet and it's something we can enforce, but it gives kids the tools to meet those standards."

Hilton said if the board pursues an eligibility policy where students are prohibited from extra-curriculars if they have a F, he recommends starting at the midterm.

"That way there are enough grades in that they are accurate," he said.

Trustee Karen Ketchu said it is important for the board not to lose sight of what is important: the chance for students to improve.

"Going forward, we will refine this some more," Inman said. "It's an emotional issue and getting it right is important."

Trustee Maria Lake said the board must vote on the policy in August to use it for the coming school year.

Attendance policy

Clarifying the school's attendance policy is also a board priority this

"We're not blaming it on kids, it's become a culture thing," Coffman said. "After five (unexcused absences), there will be a letter. After eight, a phone call. After 10, credit for that class is pulled."

Hilton clarified that if the board chooses to pull credit for a class after 10 unexcused absences the student must then fill out a waiver and request to go before the attendance committee to explain the absences.

"It's holding kids and parents accountable," Hilton said.

Lake asked the drafted attendance policy be placed on next month's agenda for "further review."

Vo-tech building

Vo-tech teacher Chris McCown approached the board with a list of pros and cons that architect Dave Grigsby complied for the two options for expanding the vo-tech building. Option one involves remodeling and expanding the current structure. Option two would be to remodel the current "bus barn," which is used for storage, and adding on a classroom.

McCown said Grigsby provided rough estimates for each option: Option 1 would cost between \$450,000 and \$478,000, and option two would be from \$550,000 to \$610,000.

A few years ago, the voters approved \$300,000 for the building fund for the purpose of the vo-tech project. "We have to figure out how to pay

for it," Lake said. Former trustee Craig George, who

has served on the building committee throughout the vo-tech building process, said his concern with option one is that he does not want to "put a Band-Aid" on a building that is out of code and 35 years old already.

The public has been very gracious and generous with what we've asked of them recently," George said. "If we can find the money in the budget without going back to them, we should do

Superintendent Jon Wrzesinski said it is a "no-brainer" to emphasize vo-tech classes and have a state of the art facility.

"You have to look out 30 years," Wrzesinski said. "Nationwide and statewide, there's an emphasis on those kind of programs now, and rightly so."

Funston moved to have Grigsby complete the plans for option two, remodeling and adding onto the bus barn, and then put the project out to bid. Inman seconded the motion, and the entire board voted in favor.

Other business

Big Sky bus: Wrzesinski reported he met with Lone Peak superintendent Dustin Shipman, and Shipman said the school still wants Ennis Schools to run a bus route for the students who live in Madison County but attend Lone Peak.

"They need to do their homework and tell us what they want in writing," Lake said. "We should keep this on the agenda until we resolve it."

Ennis Schools purchased a bus to run the route last year, but the details were never worked out, so the route has not happened. Instead, students are given individual transportation contracts.

"I don't see what the advantage is other than good will," Wrzesinski said. "It would be a logistical nightmare for us. I wouldn't do it."

Farm to fork: The school board approved a revised memorandum of understanding with Madison Farm to Fork for the GROWW program and the school garden. They also signed another MOU with F2F to use the elementary school parking lot for the farmer's market every Wednesday during the summer.

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Dear Editor,

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Ours was a tiny female, 16 years old, blind and deaf and loved by the whole family. She was a wonderful little dog, full of personality and the alpha of our three large dogs. She slept on our beds, stuck by our sides, was a friend, our special pup and an important part of our family.

I was preparing the dogs'

meals at 6 p.m. and saw her in the fenced backyard. Ten minutes later, she was gone. I immediately set out to find her, afraid she had escaped through a hole in the fence. I knew she loved to run through the fields to the Two Bumps Road where, with her age and blindness, she could easily be hit by one of the speeding cars that rush down the bumpy dirt road.

That dreadful night I never slept. I drove up and down this valley, over bridges and through fields and once it got light, I walked through every

clump of brush, around every basement on empty houses, up the mountain, through farms and spoke to every single person I saw. That first night and day, I drove 99.8 miles.

Then I heard about the other missing dog. The coincidence is too great. I think there is someone out there who took two beloved pets.

I am begging you to bring these two dogs back to their grieving families. Drop them off somewhere safe: White and White Veterinary Hospital on U.S. Highway 287 north of Ennis. Or somewhere else safe. Please. My dog, Katie, has a green collar with her name and number on it. Please end the misery of two families and two small dogs and do the right thing. It is a small thing to do.

We live in a small, safe, rural community and this kind of thing is intolerable.

Victoria Wallop

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Dear Editor,

I am excited thousands of registered voters signed petitions to qualify Caron Cooper to run as an independent candidate for the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) in district three.

As a signature gatherer, it was an honor and great challenge to participate in the democratic process of getting an independent candidate on the ballot, especially one tak-

ing no political party, PAC or corporate money. More than 50 volunteers gave their time and energy to collect signatures – explaining to voters why Caron Cooper, an energy engineer/economist and non-profit entrepreneur, is uniquely qualified to serve on the PSC. In less than two months, more than 3,400 people signed the petition.

This process is required by the state because independent candidates are not included in the two-party primary-election cycle. With everyone's help, we have made history: Caron Cooper is the first truly independent candidate on the ballot for the Montana PSC in recorded history.

If you have not actively participated in America's great democratic process lately, I recommend it as invigorating and inspiring. Not sure if you are registered to vote in Montana and in what district? Visit the Montana Secretary of State

website.

I am so grateful many, many people participated in this process and that Caron Cooper is courageous and dedicated in her work as an independent Public Service Commission candidate.

> Kris King Pony

OBITUARIES

Tonia D. Wieser October 7, 1940 – June 13, 2016



Tonia Dale (Sommerer) (Pacheco) Wieser, 75, of Philadelphia, Penn., passed away peacefully in her sleep on Monday, June 13, 2016, at her home in Toms River, N.J.

her home in Toms River, N.J. A gathering of friends and family, to celebrate her life, was held from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 25, 2016, at Ocean County Cremation Service in Toms River.

Toni was born in Philadelphia to Robert and Esther "Teri" Sommerer on Oct. 7, 1940. She married herself a cowboy, Ronald Wieser, on Aug. 12, 1984, in Hanna, Wyo. The happy couple found themselves a little slice of heaven in McAllister.

Toni was an avid reader and a great cook. Toni was a gifted seamstress who took great joy in creating priceless outfits and costumes for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved to hunt and fish and was an excellent marksman.

She was a member of the Ennis Women's Club and art club. She was a talented doll maker and collector and loved to paint.

Tonia is preceded in death by her parents, Teri and Frank Miles; her father, Robert Sommerer; her husband, Ronald Wieser; and brothers, Robert Jr. "Skip" and Gregory Sommerer.

She leaves behind five children, Valerie Coulter (Joe), Gabriella Jack (Jeffrey) of Fairfax, Va., Debra Lesh of Pottstown, Penn., Darlene Moyer (Brian) of Montana City, and Justin Wieser (Kim) of Clancy. She also leaves behind brothers, Harry Sommerer (Barbara), Brad

Sommerer (Suzanne), Frankie Miles (Ginny), Jim Miles and sister, Kat Garofalo (Pino); as well as grandchildren Greg, Chris, Jesse, Val, Maddi, Liam, Michael, Erika, Levi, Hawken, Kayla and Jackson; nine great grandchildren; and nieces and nephews and cousins galore.

Toni will be greatly missed by her loving family both near and far and her dearest of friends Patsy and Harvey Eckert and Tammy and Steve Wham of Ennis.

The family of Tonia D. Wieser wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Dr. Wael Elsamman and VNA Hospice and Home Health for the excellent care they provided.

William "Willie" Davis June 23, 2016

William "Willie" Davis, age 73, of Pony, passed away Thursday, June 23, at his home in Pony.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date.

K&L Mortuaries and Crematory of Harrison is assisting with arrangements.

Memorial Service and internment for Arlene Barnosky on July 4 at 10 am at the Sheridan Cemetery. Following there will be a potluck picnic at Mill Creek Campground.

A Memorial service for JOHIN IRICE

On Saturday, July 2 at 11 a.m., a memorial service for John Rice will take place at Trinity Episcopal Church in Jeffers. A picnic will follow at the family home immediately after the service.

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For the love of art

Carol McMullin to lead annual Fourth of July parade as grand marshal

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Carol McMullin first visited the Madison Valley 48 years ago. In those 48 years, McMullin has become a staple in the community – to honor her commitment to the valley and her unwavering dedication to the community, the Ennis Chamber of Commerce named her the 2016 Ennis Fourth of July parade grand marshal.

Originally for California, McMullin and her late husband, Paul, discovered life in the Big Sky state through a friend who had property in Pony.

"We came out with our Nimrod trailer and camped on the Madison River, sometimes for a month at a time," said McMullin. "We just loved it."

After five years of summer visits to camp, float and fish, the couple decided to purchase land outside of McAllister.

"We purchased the land sight unseen," said McMullin. Even though they did not see the property until after purchasing, the McMullins knew anywhere in the valley would be a good place to call home.

"We decided to build a home and we just loved it here," McMullin said. "We loved the camping and the community of the Madison Valley – everyone was very warm and supportive."

For years McMullin, her husband and her five children, would spend their summers enjoying the Montana experience, building relationships with the community and gaining their status as true Madison Valley-ites.

After her husband passed, McMullin decided to make her permanent residence in the Madison Valley and has given her life to giving back to the community that welcomed her with open arms 48 years ago.

Early life

She was born in San Francisco, Calif., as one of three children. Her family lived in the Bay Area where her father was a businessman with an electrical supply store and her mother a homemaker.

"I had a happy childhood," said McMullin, who enjoyed art and playing tennis in her free time. "Tennis kept me out of trouble," she added with a laugh.

She studied at Pomona College in Claremont, Calif., where she gained degrees in both art and psychology before continuing her education at an all women's college for occupational therapy.

"Occupational therapy utilized three areas I had an interest in – art, psychology and the medical field," McMullin said. "So I went to Mills College, which was an all women's college at the time, and earned my certificate in occupational therapy."

McMullin had a strong desire to earn an education and a life for herself. After graduation from Mills College, she moved to Richmond, Va., where she worked as an occupational therapist for a

After moving to Richmond, she soon met her husband and the two were married. They moved back to California where they raised five children and owned and operated a ski and snowboard clothing shop, which, though under new ownership, is still in operation



For the love of art

"She was always involved in some type of art," said McMullin's son, Paul Jr. "I feel all of us (children) have a little bit of that art side in us in various degrees."

Art is one of McMullin's passions and has been for over 40 years. "I get a lot of gratification in having something that I can create,"

She enjoys everything from watercolors to pastels to pen and ink, but it is her work with watercolors that she feels "remains her greatest challenge."

"It can be an unforgiving medium, but I like that it keeps things fresh and quick," McMullin said.

Her art has taken her all over the world – from France to Spain to Tahiti and back – and its her love of art that has grown her connection to her home in the valley.

"We were attracted to Montana for it's great beauty," McMullin

Plain air, or on location painting, something she has always enjoyed, is a little easier when the Madison and Tobacco Root mountains are just outside your window.

Leading the parade

Leading the Ennis Fourth of July Parade is, and will continue to be, a huge honor.

"It's very much of an honor," said McMullin, who will lead parade in a horse drawn buggy "I'm thrilled"

rade in a horse drawn buggy. "I'm thrilled."

The parade marshals are chosen by the town's parade committee based off a variety of criteria from their work in the community to

their history as a resident of Madison County.

From her work with the Golf Club and helping to create tennis courts, to creating the Ennis Arts Association, which keeps all things art alive and well in Madison County as well as providing scholarships, to being a volunteer at the medical center, McMullin quickly wove her way into the community.

"I think that's part of what makes a community warm and close knit," she said of giving back.

With her of art love being at the forefront of that willingness to give, McMullin is always willing to donate a painting or sell her prints for a full charitable profit.

"So many volunteer in different ways and help support this community ... I'm happy to help," McMullin said.

"I think everyone is tickled pink," said P. McMullin, of his mother leading the parade. "She's living her life and she loves it here."



PHOTO COURTESY CAROL MCMULLIN

Carol and Paul McMullin float the Madison River with friends.



PHOTO COURTESY CAROL McMullin
The McMullin family traveled to the Madison Valley from California to have a "camping
experience" and often brought friends along for the trip.

DISTRICT COURT ROUND UP

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Parke enters not true pleas

Devon Oleta Parke appeared at the Madison County Courthouse before Judge Loren Tucker on June 27 on charges she violated her suspended

sentence.

Parke was first sentenced by Judge Tucker in 2011 for the offenses of driving under the influence of alcohol, fourth offense; driving a motor vehicle while privilege suspended or revoked; and operation without liability insurance in effect, fourth or subsequence offense, according to court documents.

The state, represented by County Attorney Chris Christensen, alleges Parke violated multiple terms of her suspended sentence, including consuming alcohol, not complying with all laws, not paying her supervision fees and failing to pay her court fines and fees.

Parked entered not true pleas to all allegations. Judge Tucker set her bail at \$10,000 and released her into custody. Parke is currently being held at the Butte Silverbow jail.

Schwab given suspended sentence

Sarah Noelene Schwab appeared before Judge Loren Tucker at the Madison County Courthouse on June 27 for a sentencing on charges that she violated her suspended sentence.

Schwab was previously given a five year suspended sentence to the Department of Corrections for issuing a bad check, common scheme, a felony, according to court documents.

Since July 2015, four petitions to revoke Schwab's sentence have been filed with the court, each alleging she violated her sentence in a variety of ways, including consuming alcohol. On June 27, she was sentenced on the third petition.

Schwab's probation and parole officer, Jared Poole, was called to the stand by County Attorney Chris Christensen.

"She has made strides,"
Poole said. "I am encouraged,
yet guarded ... I think a second
chance would be completely
warranted."

Poole recommend the court go one of two ways: either sentence Schwab to the DoC for five years, three suspended, or give her a suspended sentence and set up some form of community supervision, like the 24/7 program, which monitors those under supervision for alcohol.

Both Christensen and Schwab's attorney Stephanie Kruer recommended a five year suspended sentence, which Judge Tucker adopted.

Judge Tucker credited the strides Schwab has made to change her circumstances.

"Not very many people are able or willing to do that," he

As part of her suspended sentence, Schwab must pay the rest of her previous restitution in the amount of \$5,272.37, enroll in the Soberlink program and complete a money

management program.

McDonald given deferred sentence

The Oregon man who was found guilty of assault with a weapon in a jury trial at the Madison County Courthouse last winter appeared before Judge Loren Tucker on June 27 for his sentencing.

Drew Dyer McDonald was charged with felony assault with a weapon by the state, represented by County Attorney Chris Christensen following an April 27, 2015, incident, where McDonald "purposely or knowingly brandished a weapon or what reasonably appeared to be a weapon, thereby causing (the victims) reasonable apprehension of serious bodily injury," according to

court documents.

Christensen recommended a deferred three year sentence and a \$1,000 fine. Though McDonald's attorney, Palmer A. Hoovestal, recommended shortening the deferred sentence to one year and one day so McDonald could move to get the case expunged from his permanent record after that time, Judge Tucker gave him a three year deferred imposition of sentence.

Judge Tucker added that McDonald will have the opportunity to apply for early termination of the sentence after 18 months, and that after his probation is complete, he can seek to have it expunged from his record. Judge Tucker also ordered McDonald pay a \$1,000 fine.

Honoung Conservation Efforts

Madison Conservation District selected as Ennis Fourth of July parade honorees

"I think the conservation district is probably one of the best organizations we have for the preservation of our natural resources."

- Mel McKitrick, Madison Conservation District Board co-chair

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The Madison Conservation District is celebrating 70 years – it was formed in the Madison Valley in 1946. To celebrate that, the conservation district is helping lead the annual Fourth of July parade in Ennis.

"There was a huge, national movement after the dust bowl to take a look at natural resources," said Madison Watershed coordinator Sunni Heikes-Knapton, explaining how conservation districts came to be. "When you're dealing with soil resources, water issues, those who can answer the challenges and the problems are those on the ground."

The MCD focuses on soil health, water management and other natural resource issues that affect the valley and eastern Madison County – essentially, it is a grassroots organization that puts people on the ground experimenting with ways to protect various resources.

"In settings like this, people have a tendency to learn a lot more from their neighbors, either by talking or looking over a fence line," Heikes-Knapton said. "The beauty of the structure is that it encourages stewardship ethic and it's all voluntary. A person has the choice to run their land how they want. The role the conservation district has is to say, 'this is way you might consider doing this that would be both good for your operation and the landscape."

The Madison Conservation District has five supervisors and two more from urban areas. Currently, those supervisors are cochairs Mel McKitrick and Janet Endecott, Neil Kent, Colten Clark, Kaye Suzuki, Bob Sitz and Nick Dyk.

McKitrick has been on the board since 1994 – he joined up when he was ranching and realized the importance of natural resources, especially water.

"I think water is probably one of the most important things we have on this world – it needs a lot of care," McKitrick said. "We take care of what you call 310 permits."

Conservation districts are mandated to handle 310 permitting. Anyone doing any type of work along a waterway is required to put in for a 310 permit.

"Then we, along with Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, go take a look at it," McKitrick said. "It keeps us pretty busy."

Ethan Kunard, water programs manager with MCD, said conservation districts were formed to serve communities and their natural resource needs.

"Of all these needs, water is one of the most essential," Kunard said. "Water provides life to the agriculture, recreation, fisheries,

wildlife and people who allow our community to thrive."

To protect and enhance water resources, the conservation district works with the community, and many partners, to build relationships that help move conservation work forward.

"We provide education, technical assistance and financial contributions that aim to sustain our rivers, lakes and aquifers throughout the landscape, while also creating an awareness within the community about the importance of water in each of our lives," Kunard concluded. "By protecting our water, we can help protect our future."

Like Heikes-Knapton said, conservation districts were formed following the dust bowl. In fact, they were initially called soil conservation districts.

June Haigh, 92, worked for the Department of Agriculture as a soil technician in his youth, and ended up working closely with conservation districts around the state, including the MCD.

"What I mostly did was find out what kind of soil (a land-owner) had," Haigh explained. "Soil makes a difference – you can look at it and tell them whether irrigating is worthwhile or not. Or if they were putting on a pivot system, they had to know how fast their soil would take on water."

Haigh's work was one part of an overall land management puzzle piece – he worked with other natural resource specialists to help landowners understand how to best utilize their land.

When asked why conservation work is important, Haigh said it is something he thinks of often.

"I was thinking about that on my way home one day," he said. "I noticed land use has changed an awful lot since I first started to work. You don't see the weeds anymore. You have good crops and you don't have the erosion they used to have in the 1900s. By working with experts, landowners have been able to do a better job of managing their land."

In the 1930s, Haigh said things "went to pieces" and weeds took over the landscape.

"The conservation districts, they are the ones that made things start to happen," he said. "I was just with the soil. I would go find out what was there."

Stewardship ethic is a big emphasis of the Madison Conserva-

"Stewardship ethic can either be demonstrated by projects or educated in settings," Heikes-Knapton said. "When you do a project on the ground, like streamside grazing, people can see it and see first hand how it looks. As for the education side of it, we hold workshops and hosted the range tour to help people understand the background of why things work the way they do."







CLOCKWISE FROM TOP RIGHT

PHOTO COURTESY MCD

Conservation districts were formed following the dust bowl, when people realized they needed to carefully consider natural resources, like soil.

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The Madison Conservation District's archives give a glimpse about the early days of the conservation district in the county.

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Sunni Heikes-Knapton, Madison Watershed
Coordinator, shows the effects of streamside
grazing management on Meadow Creek in

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Conservation districts have utilized people on the ground to test different land management practices since their inception.

PHOTO COURTESY ETHAN KUNARD

One of the Madison Conservation District's main goals is monitoring the health of area waterways.





SHERIDAN from pg. 1

they would only be able to use that money for the water portion of the Moore Lane project – the sewer project would be paid for by the town.

"We're coming up on our next fiscal year so we'll probably try to budget some money for that portion of the project," he said.

Town water system

The council decided to table resolution 2016-5, which deals with a variance request, until their July 11 meeting.

In March, the town was approached about an ordinance variance regarding domestic wells and whether residents are required to hook up to town water.

According to town ordinance number 118, section nine under subhead 21, residents not on town water have to hook up before the transfer or sale of their property.

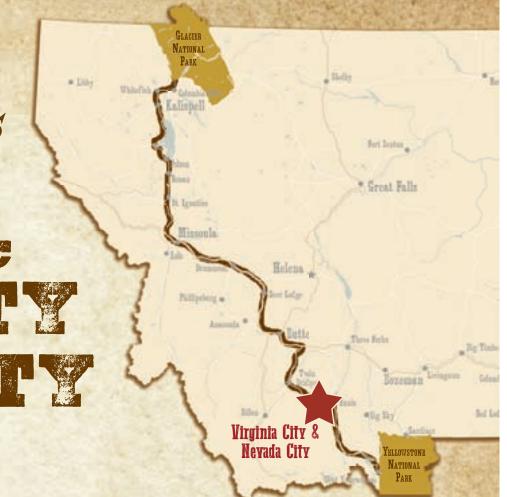
"Non conforming properties that transfer ownership must connect to the town water at their own expense at the time of the transfer. Properties with domestic water wells that transfer ownership must connect to the town water system at the time of sale, at the owners expense," as stated in the 2012 ordinance.

Shaffer presented an updated ordinance to the council, which will be discussed at their July meeting





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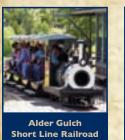


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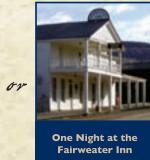


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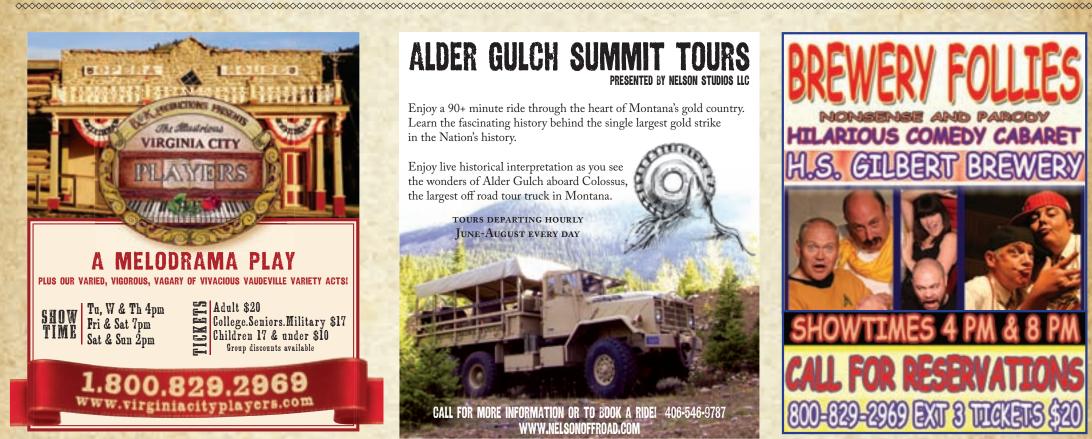
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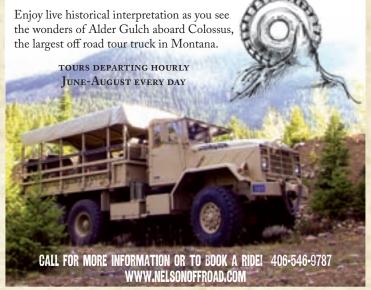
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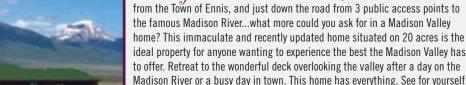
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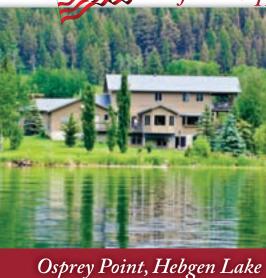
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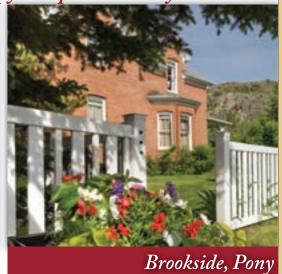
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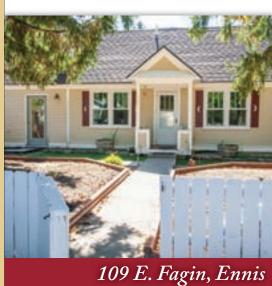
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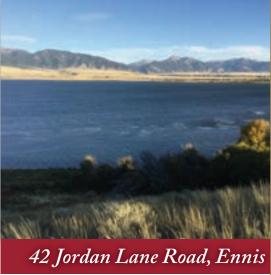
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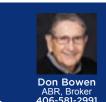
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SUBMITTED BY LIZ APPLEGATE Madison Valley History Association

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Applegate and Todd are currently researching the old buildings along Main Street. If you have any information to share such as ownership or tenant names and dates, old photos of interiors and/or exteriors, reach out.

If you would like to share historical information, make a donation, or have any questions, please contact: Zoe Todd (682-4360) or Liz Applegate (682-3288 or email: liz.billapplegate@gmail.com).

Wall Creek WMA addition dedication

SUBMITTED BY JULIE CUNNINGHAM Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

On Saturday, July 9, join Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation at the Wall Creek Wildlife Management Area south of Cameron to dedicate the addition to the WMA.

At 9 a.m., volunteer to help with a fence project. Lunch will be served at noon, with a dedication ceremony to follow at 1 p.m. For more information or to RSVP, contact one of of the following: Mike Mueller, RMEF at 493-6650; Matt Ashley, RMEF at 351-2335; or Julie Cunningham, FWP at 994-6341.

Ennis distillery wins platinum at Spirits International Prestige awards

SUBMITTED BY ROBIN BLAZER Willie's Distillery

Spirit enthusiasts flocked to the lush Newport Beach Hyatt garden atrium in California on a sunny Sunday afternoon in May to kick off the 2016 Spirits International Prestige (SIP) awards. Now on its eighth annual competition, the SIP awards presented the 98 member

consumer judging panel with a spectrum of 462 international brands, in over 59 categories, for double blind tasting. Key elements include presentation of unmarked, temperature controlled, undiluted samples, each precision poured in its own eat glass, vessels scientifically designed to amplify the tasting experience.

Willie's Distillery from Ennis came away with a platinum medal in the competition, solidifying its spot in the marketplace.

"It was great news to wake up to," owner Willie Blazer said. "Everyone has been telling us it is good and a double blind tasting proved it just in time for rodeo season!"

Willie's Distillery's Canadian whisky was also deemed the consumer's choice in its category.

Internationally respected as the only honest consumer spirit competition, the SIP awards is unique in its extensive screening and security measures which ensure the judging panel is comprised purely of everyday spirit consumers, not tainted with any endorsement, involvement or influence from the spirit industry.

As interest in the SIP awards has skyrocketed, so too has the number of brands vying for the exposure and valuable insight into sincere consumer reactions. This hand-in-hand growth has created an arena where only those brave enough to let their product speak for itself compete, and where a victory ensures the foundation of a winning legacy. Snowballing this momentum into attracting new customers is the only way smaller brands can effectively level the playing field and showcase their undeniable strengths.

Music at the Elling House

SUBMITTED BY TONI JAMES Elling House Arts & Humanities Center

On Friday, July 8, the Elling House Arts & Humanities Center will present a night of art and music. Starting at 5:30 p.m., join us in the gallery as we celebrate our July artist of the month, Jody Everts. Everts started painting during the 1970s when her children were quite young, but did not become serious until the late 1980s. She tried oils and watercolor and finally settled on mixed water based media and collage.

Most of the year, Portland, Ore., is Everts' home base but spring and summer, she resides in Helena to be near her Montana family.

Then at 7 p.m., Steve Ingram's concert will begin. Ingram was born and raised in Colorado and settled in Montana in 1978. He has taken his love of music and his guitar to many local venues from his hometown of Dillon to the stages of Billings. He is a crowd favorite at distilleries and breweries in Southwest Montana playing music that ranges

from country folk to contemporary.

Community service at the Elling House

SUBMITTED BY RACHEL KENT

AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps

The AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps invites the community to spend a day of service with them at the Elling House Arts & Humanities Center on July 7. Volunteers are invited to work along the NCCC team from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. landscaping. For more information, email Will Clancy at green5.willclancy@gmail.com. And be sure to bring gloves.

Comedy, magic and reading

SUBMITTED BY ED GROVES The Party People

A comedy and magic show that promotes reading might sound like an odd combination, but for the Incredible Mr. E and son, Kyle Groves, it is a part of everyday life.

The two professional Colorado magicians will be bringing their brand of humor, illusion and motivational message to the Madison Valley Public Library in Ennis on July 14 at 11 a.m. and to the Thompson-Hickman County Library in Virginia City at 1 p.m. Their show is geared toward children and families.

The theme for this year's show is, "On your mark, get set ... READ!" For additional information, please call Ed Groves at 719-544-5607 or 719-214-1340.

Author to speak at Madison Valley Public Library

SUBMITTED BY SUSAN ZURENDA Magic Time Literary Publicity

Ellen Malphrus – a novelist highly acclaimed by the late Pat Conroy - lives and writes beside the May River in her native South Carolina and beneath the Madison Mountains in Montana.

On July 2 event, Malphrus will be at the Madison Valley Public Library from 11 a.m. to noon. She will discuss her new novel - the event will include a brief reading, lively discussion, question and answer and book signing. More information is available by contacting the library at 682-7244 or ennislib@3rivers.net.





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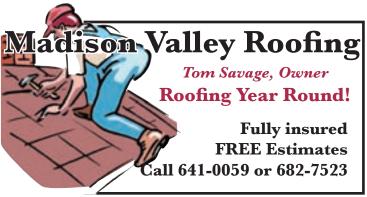
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Partly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs 75 to 85. East winds up to 10 mph... becoming north in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation 20 percent.

Friday



Partly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs 75 to 85. Lows 45 to 55.

Saturday



Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs 75 to 85.

Lows 45 to 50.

Sunday



Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs 70 to 80. Lows 45 to 50.

Monday



Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs 70 to 80. Lows 45 to 50.

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SECTION B

Thursday, June 30, 2016

Early Education: Part 5 continued

A glimpse at Madison County's earliest schoolhouses

CAITLIN AVEY news@madisoniannews.com

Last week, *The Madisonian* met with the Ruby Valley's Nick Novich for a tour of old Madison County schoolhouses. In part five's first installment, we focused on the Lower Wisconsin Creek and Pennington-Bird schoolhouses. This week, we are following up with Mr. Novich and taking a quick glimpse at the Centerville, Pageville and Point of Rocks schoolhouses that once graced the area around Twin Bridges.

**Editor's note: All information has been taken from various reading materials including The "Progressive Years" and "Pioneers Trails and Trials", both of which were comprised by residents of the county, and from Novich. Excerpts on the schools were written by Carol Lee Swager and May Lunger.



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The Centerville schoolhouse sat between the Pageville school and the Point of Rocks school giving it the name Centerville.

Pageville 1883-1920

Though the Pageville School is no longer in its original space, the building was remodeled and moved to private property, where it was converted to a library and still holds its original shape, according to Novich,. That makes it the only one of seven schools still standing

According to *Pioneers Trails and Trials*, "classes were first taught in 1883 at the James Page Ranch and some of the early teachers were Evelyn Page, Amelia Allen, Mrs. Dunn, Marie Fequa and Ruth Smith."

The Pageville schoolhouse sat southwest of Twin Bridges, just before the Pennington Bridge turnoff and was built three times, after fires destroyed the first two structures.

In 1909 the school was set on fire and destroyed in a second attempt to burn the school down. School trustees decided to hold an election for the purpose of "submitting the matter of bonding the district to build and equip a new school."

The bond was passed and a new school was built later that

"The school building served the community in many ways," wrote Swager in an excerpt in *Pioneers Trails and Trials*.

"Christmas entertainment and many other social functions, such as box socials, were held at the school."

The school closed and consolidated with Twin Bridges in 1920.

PHOTO FROM "PIONEERS TRAILS AND TRIALS"

Students sit outside the Point of Rocks
schoolhouse.



Point of Rocks 1894-1936

It is believed that the first Point of Rocks schoolhouse was in operation as early as 1875, and around 1882 a large frame building replaced the log frame schoolhouse. Point of Rocks was one of the farthest schools in the Twin Bridges district, just before the East Bench Road southwest of the town.

According to *Pioneers Trails and Trials*, school years varied, some only running three or four months at a time.

"The school was well equipped with desks and a large stove heated the room," writes Swager. "... The schoolhouse was a hub of activity for the area. Funerals were held there before burials in the cemetery. Sunday school and other church services were always welcome at the school."

Dances were a common occurrence at the Point of Rocks School, as a fur trader from Dillon would often come to the school with his wife, both of whom were musicians, and provide a night of entertainment for the community. The events would also draw residents from Dillon.

The school was closed down in 1936 after consolidating with Twin Bridges, but the building stood for a number of years after its closing date.



PHOTO FROM
"PIONEERS
TRAILS AND
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The Pageville
schoolhouse
before it was
restored.

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The Pageville
schoolhouse is
now privately
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Check back in the next few weeks as we uncover the history of other schoolhouses around the county. If you know of any historical schools in Madison County – or have information and stories you want to share – please contact Abigail editor@madisoniannews. com or Caitlin news@madisoniannews.com or call the office at 682-7755. We can't wait to hear from you!



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HEALTH & WELLNESS ____

The Ruby Valley Hospital introduces new lab manager; unveils new equipment

SUBMITTED BY DEBRA MCNEIL Ruby Valley Hospital

The Ruby Valley Hospital recently hired Andrew Baughn, MLS (ASCP) MHA for the position of laboratory manager. He came on board June 13, and is happy to be in the Ruby Valley. Additionally, state-of-the-art equipment - a chemical analyzer and hematology analyzer - has been donated to the hospital's laboratory.

Baughn brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to his new position as laboratory manager. Starting his education with a bachelor of science in biology, Baughn's academic progress through the medical lab scientist program plus a masters in health administration is a testament to his dedication and passion for the scientific fields of biology and microbiology and how they relate to every field in medicine.

Baughn takes pleasure in sharing his knowledge and has held teaching positions in zoology, microbiology and the laboratory areas of the clinical lab science program.

Originally from the Seattle, Wash., area, Baughn completed his bachelor's degree and laboratory certification programs at Idaho State University. After a brief time in Seattle, Baughn and his young family moved to the Boise, Idaho, area where he held positions at St. Alphonsus Healthcare's trauma center and the V.A. Hospital. In addition to his laboratory skills, Baughn brings a background in "informatics" which applies computer driven efficiencies and database applications in the medical field. This will be particularly helpful to the Ruby Valley Hospital as the digital medical records systems are developed in the coming years.

Andrew's wife, Lyn, has just completed her associate's degree in nursing and, after the state board exams, will be a registered nurse. She plans to continue her studies to obtain her bachelor's degree in nursing and achieve her goal of earning a Nurse Practitioner doctorate. They have three children: their daughter, Madison, will be a senior in high school and she has been a dual-school student, taking college courses along with her high school studies; Michael, 14, will begin high school in the fall; and their youngest son, Ryan, is 10.

Outdoor activities rank high in the Baughn family priorities. The family enjoys boating, waterskiing, snowmobiling, hiking and camping. The Baughns are also delighted to be near family in Idaho Falls, Idaho, and Baughn's parents who live in Florence.

"Andrew is a fantastic addition to our team. We look



Ruby Valley Hospital's new lab manager, Andrew Baughn, with the recently donated chemistry analyzer.



Lab Technician, Shirlee East, with Ruby Valley Hospital's new hematology analyzer.

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forward to benefiting from his talent and expertise," said chief financial officer Dennis Holschbach. "We believe his family will be a great asset not only to our hospital, but to our community as well."

Reflecting on the new laboratory equipment, Baughn feels that, "the more we can do in-house, the bet-

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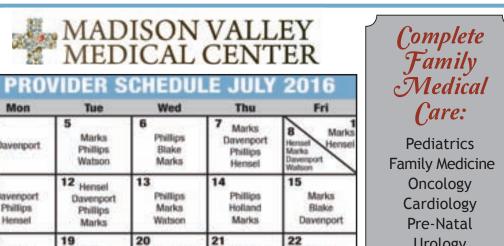
the healthcare providers better information for making diagnoses in a shorter time frame because the tests are done locally.

The chemistry analyzer is a "fantastic machine," according to Baughn.

"It's like the difference between driving an old Studebaker or a brand new vehicle with all the latest technologies," he said.

Not having to procure outdated supplies and parts is a huge cost-savings. The capabilities far exceed those of the previous analyzer.

"It's much more accurate, precise, reliable, and very efficient," said Baughn.



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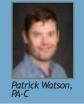








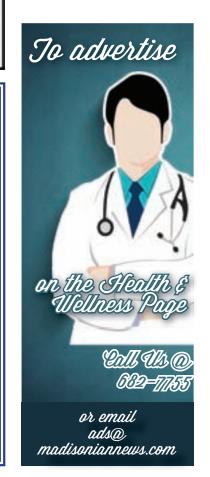














COLUMNS





FIELD EXPEDIENCY

Revisiting the experiences of a self-taught shale scrambler

For many years, I was an avid hiker. Often, I would hike to a mountain lake. Sometimes, after reaching the lake, I would peer at one of the peaks towering above the lake and, suddenly, suffer an overwhelming compulsion to see what was on the other side. Considering that when it came to heights, I paled at the thought



of standing on a sawhorse, I can only attribute the mysterious affliction to the thin mountain

air. At any rate, over the years, I scaled a goodly number of local peaks. In the Tobacco Root Mountains alone, I strutted on the tops of Hollowtop Mountain, Horse Mountain, Curley Mountain, Long Mountain, Albro Peak, Potosi Peak and Granite Peak. True, none of those crags qualifies as a death defying, Matterhorn-class ascent. In fact, most of the slopes I went up were pretty gradual. Still, that's not bad for a guy who (primarily because he was too cheap) never had a climbing lesson.

Likewise, I rejected the use of formal (expensive) mountaineering gear, such as helmets, spiked boots, gloves, pitons, rock picks, ropes and crampons. Rather, I would strike an upward path donning the attire of a self-taught shale scrambler. For instance - a tattered ball cap, equipped with a sturdy cardboard peak in front and a metal button on the crown served as my protective helmet. Also, instead of spiked climbing boots, I shrewdly sported a pair of waffle-stomper boots, so worn that the soles were thin enough to mold to the jagged terrain.

Despite my best efforts, once in a while I found myself splayed against a rock face hanging on for dear life. From those eyeball-bulging, spirituality-inspiring incidents, I learned to rely on field

expediency (aka-conjuring up improvised techniques on the spot) to compensate for my lack of sophisticated equipment. Following are some practical examples other shale scramblers might find useful in a similar situation:

Rather than relying on adhesive climbing gloves, smear pine pitch, sprinkled with chewed lichen fungus, on your fingers.

Instead of riskily turning loose of the rock face with one hand to drive a stabilizing piton (metal spike) into a seam, simply wedge your snout into said opening. Then, exhale heavily so that your nostrils expand tightly against the sides of the seam, before reaching for another handhold.

In the event of an unnerving fall, as opposed to desperately flailing a rock pick at the swiftly-disappearing face, snap your teeth firmly onto an exposed alpine, juniper-bushroot or some tundra moss to come to a halt.

After stabilizing the situation, instead of relying on cumbersome ropes, use your belt buckle as a crampon on which to fasten a bandanasized handkerchief. Then affix your trusty survival knife to the end of said fabric to lodge behind rocks, sideways, as you resume your ascent.

Ultimately, the aboveoted, stellar examples of field-expediency allowed me to overcome my fear of heights well enough to satisfy my mysterious affliction. Though my techniques may have been a tad unorthodox, I always made it to the top of the mountain I was climbing. From there, invariably, I was treated to a visual symphony of grandeur, reserved only for those nuts enough to earn the right to see it. Once, I was so moved that I began to yodel, which resulted in the only mountain goat stampede I ever witnessed. The best part is, all these many years later, I have only to close my eyes to revisit the grandeur again.

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Resource News By Melissa Newman Madison County Bio-Control Coordinator

BACK ON TRACK TO FIGHT THOSE **WEEDS**

The Madison County Bio-Control crew is back to work to fight noxious weeds in Madison County for our 13th season. We use insects that are host specific to fight spotted knapweed and leafy spurge. The insects are doing very well in Madison County and are helping to reduce knapweed and leafy spurge in multiple sites.

Madison County Bio-Control mainly focuses on spotted knapweed insects, particularly Larinus minutus and Cyphocleonus achates. We have established self-supporting populations of Larinus minutus and no longer actively release this insect. Larinus minutus is the knapweed seedhead weevil that eats the seeds out of the seedheads, thus decreasing its spread. Cyphocleonus achates is the root-boring weevil. This weevil's larva bores tunnels into the root, preventing the plant from drawing up water and nutrients from the soil. This effectively kills the plant by starving it. We will be actively collecting this insect in late July and early August to release in Madison County.

We have also spent the last few years fighting leafy spurge in the Bear Trap Canyon. Apthona flea beetles are a beetle that feeds on the root hairs which pulls water and nutrients from the soil. These

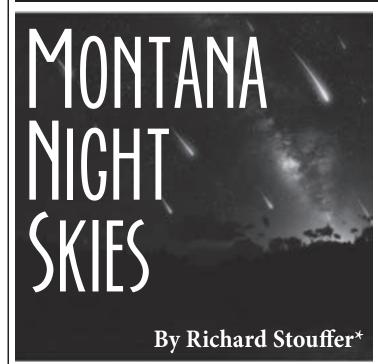
insects are very effective at destroying leafy spurge. We have been extremely pleased with the results these insects have had at dramatically reducing the leafy spurge infestations.

Last year we met with the regional biocontrol expert, Carol Bell Randall, who provided us with feedback on our program. We have since restructured our program to make initial releases, two additional augments and then let the insects do their job. While the insects are working on populating and spreading we will continue to monitor and reassess the weed infestation. These insects will never fully eradicate noxious weeds from a site but can manage its population over time. With the help of these insects, the noxious weed population will decrease over time and allow the native plants to compete successfully.

Noxious weed insects work well in areas that are not conducive to spraying, such as along waterways, around trees, steep rocky areas, etc. We firmly promote using integrated pest management where possible. An integrated pest management system utilizes spraying noxious weeds, pulling the weeds, mowing, grazing, etc. along with the insects we provide. Weeds can be sprayed at insect release sites when done in the early spring or late fall to work around the insect lifecycle. The adult insects emerge in late spring or early summer, lay their eggs and hatch into larva all by early fall. We also recommend spraying around the borders of the release sites to prevent the weed from spreading further while the insect is becoming established.

The Madison County Bio-Control crew will be busy this summer monitoring release sites, helping landowners decide a plan of action against their weeds and collecting and releasing new batches of insects. Please contact us if you would like us to monitor your noxious weeds, release insects or just visit with us about our program. Mellissa Newman is the program coordinator with returning crewmember Jourdain Klein. We can be reached by email at mellissan@hotmail.com or by calling 581-4300. You may also call Griffiths at the Madison Valley Ranchlands Group Weed Committee at 682-3731.

Our program sponsors this year are the MVRG Weed Committee, Ennis Schools, Bureau of Land Management, the Madison County Weed Board, a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Service and private landown-



HIGHLIGHTS FOR **JULY 2016**

The highlight of the Montana night sky in July is the opportunity to see all five naked eye planets in the evening sky with the return of Mercury and Venus in late July. Mercury and Venus join Jupiter, which continues to shine brightly in the western sky throughout the evening hours, and Mars and

Saturn, which put on their own bright showing high up in the southern sky as darkness falls.

At the beginning of the month, brilliant Jupiter dominates the western sky throughout the evening hours with Jupiter not setting until a half hour past midnight. Jupiter continues its dominance of the evening sky throughout the month with Jupiter setting around 10:45 p.m. as the month comes to a close. As the sky darkens further, look just above Jupiter to see the stars of the constellation Leo, the lion. Turning to the southern sky, look high up to see orange colored Mars with golden colored but fainter Saturn a bit to the left of Mars as darkness falls. Below and just a little fainter than Saturn is reddish colored Antares, the brightest star in the constellation Scorpius. Mars and Saturn continue to form a fascinating grouping with the stars of Scorpius with Mars approaching the three stars forming the claws of Scorpius and the distance separating Mars and Saturn shrinking significantly during the course of the month. At the same time, Mars continues to dim in brightness as the month progresses with Mars speeding further away from Earth. As the month begins, Mars sets around 2:40 a.m. and Saturn sets around 4 a.m. By the end of the month, Mars sets around 1 a.m. and Saturn sets around 2 a.m. During the last week of July, the last two of the naked eye planets, Mercury and Venus, join the other naked eye planets in the evening sky. The innermost planets will become bright enough to spot in the twilight sky as the month comes to a close. Mercury will appear to the upper left of Venus, but Venus will be easier to find because of its great brightness. As July comes to a close, Venus sets about 45 minutes after the Sun and Mercury sets about an hour after the Sun.

As for the moon, the moon passes below Jupiter on July 8. The moon then passes below Spica, the brightest star in the constellation Virgo, on July 11. The moon passes below Mars on July 14 and below Saturn the next evening. The moon is full on July 19. The moon passes very close to Aldebaran, the brightest star in the constellation Taurus, on the morning of July 29 (and even passes in front of or occults Aldebaran in the eastern and southern United States).

For meteor shower watchers, the Delta Aquarid meteor shower takes place in July with a peak occurring before dawn on July 30 when up to 10 meteors per hour can be seen during the peak of the shower. The best time to observe this shower is after the moon sets about 2:15 a.m. until the sky starts to brighten toward dawn.

Commodity Insite!: Worldwide market mayhem

by Jerry Welch

The long awaited vote by citizens of the United Kingdom to either remain or leave the European Union took place this week. Most strongly believed voters would cast ballots keeping them as members of the EU. But after 40 years as a member, U.K. voters shocked the world and the Big Four: stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities, by exiting the EU. As a result, chaos and mayhem unfolded rapidly on the final day of the week.

To understand fully the implications of the historic vote that spawned violent price swings in even the most basic of markets here are but a few of the inflammatory headlines that seen on various media outlets: "Britain in freefall." "Pound plummets to 31 year low." "Dow drops 500 at opening." " 2 trillion wiped out instantly." "World markets

roiled by Brexit."

Former Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan, speaking on CNBC stated, "This is the worst period I can recall since I've been in public service." He went on to say, "There's nothing like it, including the crisis - remember Oct. 19, 1987, when the Dow went down by a record amount 23 percent? That I thought was the bottom of all potential problems. This has a corrosive effect that will not go away."

When the dust settled, here is how the Big Four stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities - ended the historically bearish day. Stocks as measured by Dow Jones futures fell 668 points to close at 17,247. Bonds, basis September U.S. treasuries rose a monstrous three full points and eight ticks to close within a blink of a new all-time record high. Currencies ended the

wild and crazy day with the dollar at a new one month high and the largest intraday rally in nearly a year. The British Pound fell to a seven year low and experienced the worst daily decline in 30 years. Commodities as measured by the CRB Index fell a whopping 483 points, wiping out all the gains of June.

More specifically for U.S. grain and livestock producers: all grain markets closed lower to sharply lower. Cattle and feeders closed lower to sharply lower. Lean hog prices were lower as well as all the soft or tropical markets such as cotton, coffee, cocoa, orange juice, lumber and sugar. Not one single ag-market of any kind ended on the plus side of the ledger. The day was simply that bearish and the confidence of ag-producers was shattered.

In my last column in a

piece entitled, "Everything is so bearish it is bullish," I stated the following: "Stocks, bonds and commodities are in the midst of a sharp rally because the central banks are keeping the proverbial punch bowl full to the brim so the party continues. Nonetheless. The fundaments bullish bonds are not necessarily bullish stocks and commodities. For now, bad news is indeed good news for the markets. For now, things are so bearish it is bullish. But history shows that such a convoluted scenario is never long lasting. Never."

Since I penned that column, stocks and commodities have collapsed but bond prices have improved. Thus, the fundamentals supporting bonds, uncertainty and economic weakness continue support the debt markets while other markets are beginning to fall by the way-

side. And that makes sense because as I stated before: "The fundamentals bullish bonds are not necessarily bullish stocks and commodi-

Moving forward, what should investors, traders and agricultural producers expect? MarketWatch.com in a piece by William Watts stated: "Britain's decision to exit the European Union in a referendum spread chaos through markets on Friday, but the shock isn't likely to amount to echo the 2008 'Lehman moment' that left the global financial system on the brink of collapse." On Bloomberg in a piece by Suzanne Woolley entitled, "Investors scared of Brexit: This is what to do now. Nothing": "Most gurus are thumbing their collective

noses at Brexit." However, my view is no different than what I have stated time and again. I

cannot see a single market I would buy other than the U.S. dollar. Stocks, bonds and commodities began moving higher in the February to March period and they still appear pricey to me. The problem now facing investors, traders and ag-producers is two-fold. One, the selling across the board is not over. Rallies will be sold aggressively by those clinging tenaciously to losing positions. And thanks to the U.K. vote there is now too much uncertainty across the globe and too many questions going unanswered.

History shows clearly that uncertainty is bearish. This week, uncertainty controlled every market on the board. And of course is why bonds are at an-all time high while stocks and commodities are falling by the wayside. Look for that scenario to continue in the period ahead. Uncertainty should cap rallies.

COMICS & PUZZLES



Editor's Note: Any editorial cartoons printed in our paper do not reflect the opinion of the staff of The Madisonian.

King Crossword

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- 5 Work with
- "Ali --" 8
- 12 Gin flavoring
- "Kidding!" 13
- 14 Hollywood clashers
- 15 Eight on a sundial
- 16 Ratatouille ingredient
- 18 Carrot cousin
- 20 Redhead's secret?
- 21 With it
- 22 Petrol
- 23 Discard 26 Salad base
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- Intention 32 Quarrel
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- sauerkraut
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Just a Pinch



Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons

By Janet Tharpe

Festive Strawberry Shortcake Red, White & Blue Bites

"Pop into your mouth and enjoy!"



Need a dessert for July 4th? Try Catherine Thompson Floyd's easy Strawberry Shortcake Red, White & Blue Bites. These sweet little bites made my taste buds happy and I'm sure your friends will love them too. Sponge cake and strawberries combine to make one tasty filling. Plus, they're no bake! A perfect summertime dessert.

See step-by-step photos of Catherine's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/shortcakebites

You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a

- Janet

Strawberry **Shortcake Bites**

What You Need 18-24 large strawberries

Catherine Thompson Floyd Burlington, MI

(pop. 261)

1 c ready made strawberry shortcake sponge cake, more or less

1 can whipped cream (or fresh whipped cream, if desired) 18-24 blueberries, fresh

Directions

- Clean strawberries and blueberries.
- Set blueberries aside. • Pare off stem tops of
- strawberries. • Using a paring knife or melon baller, scoop out inside flesh of the strawberries.
- Put in strawberry flesh into bowl.
- Dice or shred cakes into small bits and add to strawberry flesh in bowl. Stir.
- Stuff the strawberries with cake mixture.
- Top with whipped cream and add a blueberry.
- Enjoy!

Submitted by: Catherine Thompson Floyd, Burlington, MI (pop. 261) www.justapinch.com/shortcakebites

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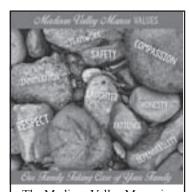
Substitute Teachers needed! ECCS is building a sub list for the summer. If you have a degree and would enjoy working with awesome teachers and kiddos, please call Sara at 599-9974 or the Children's School at 682-7388 for more info.

Line/prep cook for local restaurant in Ennis. 34-tfc-b

Alison's Pantry sells restaurant quality foods. We are looking for Sales Representatives in McCalliser and Ennis. There is already an established customer base. Earn a great commission and groceries for free! Part-time. Contact Julie for more information. 208-206-6669. 36-2-p

Seeking full/part time experienced lawn care and landscaping crew members and general laborers. Pay DOE. 640-0601 31-tfc-b

Montana Department of Revenue Property Valuation Specialist III Position # 16141412 Virginia City, Montana \$29,024 - \$33,874/yr DOQ Closes: 6/29/16 To apply for this job posting, please see: http://mt.gov/statejobs/default.mcpx 35-2-b



The Madison Valley Manor is hiring full time and part time Certified Nursing Assistants.
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career in healthcare, Madison
Valley Manor is the place.
Please contact Christine
Canterbury, DON at 682-7271 for
more information. EOE

Harrison is looking for a head and/or assistant head volleyball coach for the 2016-17 school year. The position pays \$2,569 for the head coach and \$1,798 for the assistant. Please contact Fred Hofman, Superintendent, at 406-685-3428 or via email at fhofman@harrison.k12.mt.us or stop on by the school Monday-Thursday, between 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Looking for a laborer. Wages start at \$15/hr. Call 682-7103. Ask for Eric. 27-tfc-b

Physical Therapy Aide/Patient Care Representative

Madison Valley Medical Center in Ennis is seeking a full-time Physical Therapy Aide/Patient Care Representative. The successful candidate will prepare a patient for treatment, assist with patient care, maintain therapy equipment and ensure a clean environment. This individual will also schedule patients, maintain medical records and complete other administrative duties of preauthorization, charge-entry, and follow-up with referring providers and insurance companies, etc. Must be able to lift/ push/pull 50 pounds. Competitive compensation and benefits, including health insurance and profit sharing. Please submit an on-line application at www. mvedcenter.org/careers<http:// www.mvedcenter.org/careers> or send a letter of application and resume to: Madison Valley Medical Center 305 N. Main

305 N. Main
Ennis, MT 59729
Attn: Human Resources
For more information, please
visit our website or contact us at
406-682-6862.
34-tfc-b

REGISTERED NURSE (RN)/ LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE (LPN) Tobacco Root Mountain Care Center (TRMCC) is a skilled nursing facility located in Sheridan, Montana. This is a senior living residence for individuals with long term care (LTC) needs. TRMCC provides 24-hour long term nursing care and has the capabilities to care for adults with acute medical needs or seniors recovering from surgery needing rehabilitation services. We are looking for passionate and talented team members to join TRMCC. This is an amazing opportunity for a LTC RN or LPN to work in a great relaxed

environment assisting the residents of our facility. JOB SUMMARY: Under the direction/supervision of the Director of Nursing, this position participates in assessing, planning and implementing resident care. This position will provide direct patient care and assist team members with delegated tasks/procedures within their scope of practice. This position requires a thorough understanding of the position's roles/responsibilities; seeks clarification when appropriate, meets communication needs of the department, and transcribes physician orders from records with notation(s). Administers medications and supervises the administration of medications in accordance with the Medication Administration policy. Completes reassessment

of resident's response to medication. Documents in accordance with TRMCC's Medication Administration policy. Cares for adult/geriatric populations. Coordinates care with other disciplines. All employees of the TRMCC share the responsibility of caring for the residents, family members and guests, employees, and the facility. All employees are expected to exercise good communication and a willingness to assist others outside of the scope of their job

description in order to be suc-

cessful as a team.

Employee Benefits:
 Health insurance available (County sponsored benefit with 30 hours or more per week), optional dental, and vision plans
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 Montana Public Employee Administration (retirement benefit) and optional 457-b savings plan
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TRMCC promotes a drug and alcohol-free workplace. Offers of employment are contingent upon successfully passing pre-employment screenings. Contact Information Jody Galica, R.N., D.O.N.

Tobacco Root Mountain Care Center 326 Madison Street, Sheridan MT

MT 406-842-5600 36-2-b Full Time dentist hygienist needed to work in Sheridan, MT. Wages competitive, - DOE, profit sharing, health insurance, 2 weeks paid vacation.
Contact Dr. Tom Bartoletti, 842-5400 or email: mdot56@hotmail.com 31-2-b

The Alley Bistro is seeking year round PT/FT servers. Experience preferred. Also looking for PT dishwashers. Stop in for an application or call John at 209-4031. 31-tfc-b

Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center in Sheridan, MT. A small, family oriented LTC facility has positions open for certified nurses' aides. Competitive wages, great benefits. Contact Jody at 406-842-5600 for more info and application. EOE 34-3-b

Coaching Opportunity
Ennis School
Ennis Schools is seeking qualified individual for the following coaching position: Junior High
Football Coach. Base Salary
\$1,134. For further information and/or to receive an application, call Superintendent Jon Wrzesinski at 682-4258.
36-3-b



MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

The Madison County
Sheriff's Office is accepting
applications for a full-time
Communications Officer
position. The salary for this
position is 14.76 per hour with
county medical benefits.
Duties and responsibilities
include performing the duties
of a Communications officer
at the Madison County PSAP
(Public Safety Answering
Point) in Virginia City. The
position is responsible to
the public, law enforcement
and first responders. Must

the public, law enforcement and first responders. Must have good phone and communication skills. Must be able to type at least 40 wpm. This position requires the applicant to be able to obey rules, regulations and follow instruction from superiors. Applicant must show a desire to work with the public, show self-initiative, demonstrate a high degree of integrity, maturity and confidentiality. The work week is a minimum

of 30 hours and includes

weekends and holidays. Due to the nature of the job, work hour flexibility with ability to work any shift (late shift, swing shift or day shift) is necessary. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and of good moral character; successfully pass an oral interview, background investigation plus any other requirements which may be deemed necessary to perform the duties of a Communications officer, including successful completion of the Montana

Basic Communication Officer
Academy. Applicants for
this position must have the
knowledge and ability to
maintain accurate record
keeping systems and possess
basic computer knowledge.
Applicants must be a resident
of Madison County.

Applications can be found at www.madisoncountymt.gov. The application and a complete resume should be sent to the Dillon Job Service, 730 N. Montana Ste. #4, Dillon, MT 59725 (DillonJSC@mt.gov) or to the Madison County Sheriff's Office, PO Box 276, Virginia City, MT 59755. Please contact Lynda Holt at (406) 843-4211 with any questions about the position. Open until filled. Madison

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FOR RENT

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Office Space for rent. 128/SF unit located downtown Ennis in the Lone Elk Mall. Common area.
Utilities included.
\$175 per month.
33-tfc-b

MADISON MANAGEMENT Vacation and Long Term Rentals

570-5401 www.madisonmanagement.com 22-tfc

For Rent: Large storages - 14x48 \$165/mo., 12x40 \$125/mo. Large doors and concrete floors. Boats, RV's, Warehouse. Available May 1st. Call Bob 925-1362. 22-tfc-b

FOR RENT: Large mobile home site 1 mile from Ennis. 100 x 150', water & sewer, country atmosphere, quiet. NO DOGS. 682-4854. 29-tfc

BARKER VILLAGE APARTMENTS:

1 bedroom furnished apartments available in Ennis.
A/C, washer/dryer equipped, private location. 4 month lease \$700 per month plus security deposit, utilities included, nonsmoking, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli, Manager at 406-682-5737.
15-tfc

FOR RENT: Call Apex Management at 682-7112 or 581-0103 for long term or vacation rentals in Ennis and the Madison Valley. 1-tfc

BARKER VILLAGE

APARTMENTS:
1 bedroom unfurnished apartments available in Ennis. A/C, washer/dryer equipped, private location. 1 year lease, \$650 per month plus security deposit, utilities included, non-smoking, no dogs. Call Erich Vogeli, Manager at 406-682-5737.

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FOR RENT: Duplex apartments. 1 Br. W/D, AC. 1 year lease. \$750/month, utilities included. N/S, no dogs. In Ennis. Call Erich Vogeli at 406-682-5737. Security Deposit. 26-tfc-b

PETERSON'S DISCOUNT STORAGE Indoor & Outdoor RV/Boat storage, storage units. Ennis, 682-7442 18-tfc-b For Rent: 2 Bedroom 2 bath on Madison Ave. Ennis \$700 per month plus \$700 deposit Available July 1st Call 682-7354 35-2-b

Sheridan 1bd 1 ba apartment for rent. \$400/mo. All appliances included. NO pets. Contact Ridgely at 596-4495.
31-tfc-b

For Rent: HORSE PASTURE 11 acres. Water & shelter. 5 minutes from Sheridan. 842-7737 30-1-b

Ruby Glen Homes in Sheridan Newly built condo living in quiet neighborhood. Single level – no stairs. 2bd/2ba/2-car heated, attached garage. Beautiful views of Ruby Valley. Maintenance-free grounds. Call 596-1111. 36-2-b

FOR SALE

Pony, MT home and lots. For sale: 25 lots, plus older home in Pony, MT. The older home is approximately 1000 sq ft. The listing price for the entire listing is \$175,000. Call Bill Dringle of Mtn. Real Estate at 682-7489 or 599-0243 36-3-b

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Mtn bike - Rocky Mountain 17" XT. Mtn. bike - Carbon Fraud Scram. Pop Top camper, fits most trucks \$800 843-5816 34-2-p

The Town of Sheridan has several items to be sold to highest bidder.

1-FMC tire machine-model

1-FMC tire machine-model number unknown

2-105 gallon/14 gauge fuel tank for pick up truck with 15 gallon per minute pump-Model #480000

3-Crown 5000# pallet jack-Model #PTH502748 4-Ben Pearson 2 post auto/truck lift-electric/hydraulic 208-230 volts-Model#10.000si

To view these items please contact Town Hall at 406-842-5431. Please submit sealed bids for these items before 12 noon July 11, 2016. Bids to be opened at the July 11 Town Council beginning at 6pm. All items to be sold as is where is.

35-3-b

SERVICES

Caring & Sharing
Hours:
Mon. Noon-2:00 p.m.
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36-1-b

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Sat. & Sun. July 2 & 3 AND
Sat. July 9
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Units 383 & 384; right next to
the Blue Chevy Truck sign.
Furniture, tools, household
items, prints, books, mud &
snow wheels & tires w/studs,
car cover, movies, free table.
36-2-b

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE THE FOLLOWING LEGALLY DESCRIBED TRUST PROPERTY TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Successor Trustee will, on October 10, 2016 at the hour of 02:00 PM, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the interest in the following described real property which the Grantor has or had power to convey at the time of execution by him of the said Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the Grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Deed of Trust, to satisfy the obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including reasonable

North Entrance of the Madison County Courthouse, 110 East Wallace, Virginia City, MT

charges by the Successor Trustee, at the fol-

John A. "Joe" Solseng, a member of the Montana state bar, of Robinson Tait, P.S. is the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust in which Harold R. Peterson, as Grantor, conveyed said real property to Stewart Title as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to Indymac, F.S.B., a federally chartered savings bank, Beneficiary of the security instrument, said Deed of Trust which is dated February 24, 2004 and was recorded on March 2, 2004 as Instrument No. Book 503 Page 455, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Madison County, Montana. The Deed of Trust encumbers real property

("Property") located at 850 Hwy 287 N Unit 11, Cameron, MT 59720 and being more fully described as follows:

described as follows:

LOT 46B AS SHOWN ON CERTIFICATE
OF SURVEY FILED IN BOOK 7 OF SURVEYS, PAGE 940 (ALSO KNOWN AS
SPORTSMAN'S PARADISE NO. 8), BEING
A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 2 TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 2
AST DAMM MADISON COUNTY MODE EAST, P.M.M. MADISON COUNTY, MON-TANTA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICE PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RE-CORDER OF MADISON COUNTY, MON-

The beneficial interest under said Deed of Trust and the obligations secured thereby are presently held by DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY as Trustee for HOME EQUITY MORTGAGE LOAN AS-SET-BACKED TRUST Series SPMD 2004-A, HOME EQUITY MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET BACKED CERTIFICATES Series SPMD

The Beneficiary has declared the Grantor in default of the terms of the Deed of Trust and the Promissory Note ("Note") secured by said Deed of Trust due to Grantor's failure to timely pay all monthly installments of principal, interest and if applicable, escrow reserves for taxes and/or insurance as required by the Note and Deed of Trust. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantors' failure which tolectoste is made is grantors failure to pay when due the following sums: monthly payments of \$2,961.66 beginning January 1, 2015 through June 17, 2016; plus interest due of \$7,576.94; plus escrow payment of \$1,758.29; together with title expense, costs, trustee's fees and attorney's fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interest therein; and prepayment penalties/premiums, if applicable. By reason of said default, the beneficiary has

declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said trust deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to wit: \$79,442.28 with interest thereon at the rate of 6.75000 percent per annum beginning January 10, 2015; plus late charges of \$370.67; plus escrow advance of \$1,171.21; plus property inspection fee of \$212.00; plus title search of \$2,588.63; plus foreclosure fees and expense of \$956.00; plus other costs of \$136.92; together with title expense, costs, trustee's fees and attorney's fees incurred herein by reason of said default; any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described property and its interest therein; and prepayment penalties/premiums, if applicable.

Due to the defaults stated above, the Ben-

eficiary has elected and has directed the Trustee to sell the above-described property to satisfy the obligation.

Notice is further given that any person named has the right, at any time prior to the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by making payment to the Ben-eficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Deed of Trust, together with Successor Trustee's and attorney's fees. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Dated: May 25th, 2016 /s/ John A. "Joe" Solseng

John A. "Joe" Solseng, a member of the Montana state bar, Attorney of Robinson Tait, P.S., MSB #11800 (Pub. June 16, 23, 30 2016) rt

SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

Jerry Braach and Shirley Braach Cause No. DV-29-13-19 Plaintiffs,

Agnes Sheil a/k/a Agness Sheil, Alfred Sill, H. F. Jackson a/k/a Harvey F. Jackson, Cora E. Jackson, R.R. Tovey, Shelly Burke as County Treasurer of Madison County, Montana, Sally Balkovetz a/k/a Sallie Balkovetz, Fred Balkovetz, Victor Schaub, Jennifer Schaub-Mancuso, Julie Schaub-Peterson, Virginia Schaub, Maggie Trezza-Schaub, Harry Bert Bagely, Rueben R Tovey, a/k/a R.R.Tovey, Roy A. Tovey, Blanche Tovey, Harold Tovey, Eileen Tovey and Evelyn Tovey, Donald Tash Jackson, Earl Keyes and Dorothy Keyes,

Olive Sill Holland, Jerome Holland, and Katherine Leoda Bagely, if they are living, and if they are deceased, the unknown heirs and/or devisees of said named Defendants who may be dead; and all other persons unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the complaint adverse to Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon Plaintiffs' title, whether the claim or possible claim be present or contingent

THE STATE OF MONTANA to the abovenamed Defendants, and to all other persons unknown, GREETINGS:

A lawsuit has been filed against you. Within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons on you or (42 days if you are the State of Montana, a state agency, or a state officer or employee), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the Amended Complaint in this action which is filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, or a motion under

Rule 12 of the Montana Rules of Civil Procedure. The day of service is the last day of publication of this summons. Do not include the day you were served in your calculation of time. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiffs or the plaintiffs' attorney, if plaintiffs are represented by an attorney, whose name and address are listed below. If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demand-

ed in the complaint. You must also file your answer or motion with the court.

This action is brought for the purpose of quieting title to lands and tracts of real property situate and lying in the N½N ½ of Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 6 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing from the north one quarter corner, U.S.G.L.O. brass cap, of Section 34, T3S, R6W, said corner is the point of beginning, thence, FIRST COURSE, on the South City Limits Line of the Town of Twin Bridges, N89°17'56"W, a distance of 91.21 feet to a record one inch iron pin, said iron pin is on the East line of Madison Street, thence, leaving the South City Limits Line, SECOND COURSE, along the easterly line of a county road, S12°04'25"E, a distance of 229.26 feet to a point that is a record half inch iron pin, thence, THIRD COURSE, along the easterly line of a county road, S15°01'33"E, a distance of 221.41 feet to a record iron pin and plastic cap by 4473 ES, thence leaving the easterly cap by 4473 ES, thence, leaving the easterly line of said county road, FOURTH COURSE, S88°54'34"E, a distance of 85.22 feet to a record iron pin and plastic cap by 4473 ES, said iron pin is on the westerly Right-of-way line of the Burlington Northern Railroad and said point is on a non-tangent curve having a radius of 2914.79 feet, thence, FIFTH COURSE, on said curve to the right, a distance of 327.27 feet to an iron pin with an aluminum cap, this survey, chord bears N02°12'00"W, a distance of 327.10 feet, said point is 50.00 feet west of the railroad centerline station 1394+85.0 and point of tangent, thence, on said Right-of-way line, SIXTH COURSE, N01°01'00"E, a distance of 110.39 feet to a point on the South City Limits Line of the Town of Twin Bridges, thence, on said South Line, SEV-ENTH COURSE, N89°09'19"W, a distance of 88.76 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel containing 1.313 acres.

An irregular tract of land situate in the NW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section Thirty-Four (34), Township Three (3) South, Range Six (6) West, M.P.M., and particularly described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the quarter corner on the north of said Section 34, thence south through center of Section 34, a distance of 434 ft., to east side of County Road, thence along east side of County Road south 16°09' east 50 feet to an imaginary corner, or the place of beginning of the land hereby intended to be conveyed, thence south 16°09' east 50 feet, thence second course, east about 60 feet, to the N.P.R.R. Co., right-of-way, thence third course along N.P.R.R. Co., curvature 50 feet, thence fourth course west to place of beginning. This land is south of the land deeded to Alfred Sill by Harvey F. Jackson and Cora E. Jackson (at Book 91, p. 416) and comprising a tract of 1/10 of One Acre, more or less, situated between County Road and the N.P.R.R. Co., right-of-way in the town limits of Twin Bridges, Madison County, Mon-

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SUBJECT, HOWEVER, to the following: (a) A Right of Way Deed dated October 11, 1911, granted to the Madison River Power Company grating the right to erect and maintain an electric transmission system over, along and across the W1/2NE1/4 Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 6 West, MPM recorded in Book 86, Page 39 Records of

Madison County Montana.
(b) A Deed of Trust granted to Glacier Bank on April 20, 2005 placing an encumbrance on a parcel of land situated in the N1/2N1/2 of Section 34, Township 3 South, Range 6 West, P.M.M., as described in Certificate of Survey filed in Book 7 of Surveys, Page 848 BA, and recorded in Book 531, Page 66 Records of

Madison County Montána. (c) Any and all reservations and exceptions set out and contained in any patent or other instrument whereby said real property, or any part thereof, passed from public to pri-

vate ownership. (d) Any and all easements existing in, over, or upon said real property, or any part thereof, whether or not appearing of record.
WITNESS, my hand and seal of the said Court this 9 day of June, 2016. /s/ Cynthia A. Adams,

Deputy Clerk of District Court W.G. Gilbert, III W.G. Gilbert, III, P.C. 15 South Idaho Street P.O. Box 345 Dillon, MT 59725 (406) 683-6116 fax (406) 683-6117 dgilbert@wggilbertlaw.com Attorney for the Plaintiffs

(Pub. June 23, 30, July 7 2016) wgg MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Madison County Commissioners will not be holding their regular Commission meeting on Monday, July 4, 2016, as County Offices will be closed for the Independence Day Holiday. The next regular meeting following this date will be held on Monday, July 11, 2016. (Pub. June 23, 30 2016) mcc MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Sheridan will hold a public hearing on July 11, 2016 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Sheridan Town Hall at 103 East Hamilton St. in Sheridan. The Town Council has scheduled the hearing to obtain public comment on the sale of a portion of the property known as 101 East Hamilton St. in Sheridan. The proposed boundary adjustment documents will be available for review. The Town Council will give everyone the opportunity to ask guestions and express their opinion regarding the

Comments may be given orally at the hearing or submitted in writing before the end of the hearing on July 11, 2016.

Anyone who would like more information may contact Town Hall located at 103 East Town of

Sheridan or call 842-5431 Tom Shaffer, Mayor Pub. June 23, June 30, July 7 2016) tos

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that on July 14, 2016, at ten o'clock a.m., in the office of the Madison County Treasurer in Virginia City, Montana, taxes on the 2015 delinquent property will be offered for sale on assignment. Delinquent taxes including penalties, interest and costs are a lien upon the property and, unless such are paid prior to this time, the lien will be offered for sale. Per SB281, notice is to be mailed certified at least two weeks prior to the date of the payment to whom the property s assessed. Before issuing the tax lien sale certificate, the treasurer is to receive proof of this notice.

A list of each property and all persons owing taxes for the year 2015 is on file in the County Treasurer's office and is open to the public for

MCA 15-17-122 Shelly Burke, Treasurer sburke@madison.mt.gov www.madison.mt.gov 406-843-4212 (Pub. June 23, June 30, July 7 2016) mct

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE LONE PEAK CENTER CONDOMINIUM OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.,

YELLOWSTONE SKI & SUMMER ADVEN-

TURES, INC., Defendant, TO BE SOLD AT Sheriff's Sale on the 12th day of July, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Unit 318 (now known as Room 389) of Lone Peak Center Condominiums, Big Sky, Madison County, Montana, the following described property: Unit 318 of Lone Peak Center Condominiums, located on Lot 14A of the Amended Plat of Lots 10, 13 and 14, of Mountain Village Subdivision Phase 1, in Madison County, Montana, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the county Clerk and Recorder, Madison County, Montana, in Book 4 of Plats, page 508-BA, records of Madison County, Montana. TOGETHER WITH an undivided 1.092% interest in and to the common elements appertaining to said unit, as set out and established in the First Amended and Restated Declaration for the Lone Peak Center Condominium, recorded December 22, 2006, as Document No. 11/644, and as subsequently amended, records of Madison County, Montana. The use of the condomini-um shall be residential purposes only.

Dated this 13th Day of June, 2016. /s/ Roger Thompson, Sheriff of Madison County (Pub. June 23, 30 July 72016) mcs

NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE TO BE SOLD FOR CASH AT TRUSTEE'S SALE on August 22, 2016, at 11:00 AM at the Front Door to the Madison County Courthouse located at 110 West Wallace in Virginia City, MT 59755, the following described real property situated in Madison County, Mon-

A tract of land situated in Section 17, Township 4 South, Range 5 West, P.M.M., Madison County, Montana, more particularly shown as Lot 5 on the Amended Plat of 7M-4R Subdivision as filed in Book 4 of Plats, page 322-A, records of Madison County, Montana Bret Carter and Connie L. Hill AKA Connie

Hill, JT, WROS, as Grantors, conveyed said real property to First American Title Company of Madison County, as Trustee, to secure an obligation owed to American Federal Savings Bank, Corporation, as Beneficiary, by Deed of Trust on March 12, 2008, and recorded on March 12, 2008 as Document No. 124997. The beneficial interest is currently held by JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association. First American Title Company, LLC, is the Successor Trustee pursuant to a Substitution of Trustee recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Madison County,

The beneficiary has declared a default in the terms of said Deed of Trust by failing to make the monthly payments due in the amount of \$1,039.61, beginning March 1, 2013, and each month subsequent, which monthly installments would have been applied on the principal and interest due on said obligation and other charges against the property or loan. The total amount due on this obligation as of March 31, 2016 is \$163,756.85 principal, interest at the rate of 5.87500% totaling \$30,465.74, late charges in the amount of \$203.52, escrow advances of \$10,610.52, and other fees and expenses advanced of \$70.91, plus accruing interest, late charges, and other costs and fees that

such amounts as may be required to preserve and protect the property and for real property taxes that may become due or delinquent, unless such amounts of taxes are paid by the Grantors. If such amounts are paid by the Beneficiary, the amounts or taxes will be added to the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. Other expenses to be charged against the proceeds of this sale include the Trustee's fees and attorney's fees, costs and expenses of the sale and late charges, if any. Beneficiary has elected, and has directed the

including the beneficiary, excepting only the Trustee, may bid at the sale. The bid price must be paid immediately upon the close of bidding in cash or cash equivalents (valid money orders, certified checks or cashier's checks). The conveyance will be made by Trustee's Deed without any representation or warranty, including warranty of Title, express or implied, as the sale is made strictly on an as-is, where-is basis, without limitation, the sale is being made subject to all existing conditions, if any, of lead paint, mold or other environmental or health hazards. The sale purchaser shall be entitled to possession of the property on the 10th day following the sale. The grantor, successor in interest to the grantor or any other person having an interest in the property, at any time prior to the trustee's sale, may pay to the beneficiary or the successor in interest to the beneficiary the entire amount then due under the deed of trust and the obligation secured thereby (including costs and expenses actually in-curred and attorney's fees) other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred and thereby cure

The scheduled Trustee's Sale may be postponed by public proclamation up to 15 days for any reason, and in the event of a bankruptcy filing, the sale may be postponed by

the trustee for up to 120 days by public proc-lamation at least every 30 days.

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A
DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED
WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: April 13, 2016

Assistant Secretary,
First American Title Company, LLC Successor Trustee Title Financial Specialty Services PO Box 339 Blackfoot ID 83221

County of Bingham On this 13 day of April, 2016, before me, a notary public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Dalia Martinez, know to me to be the Assistant Secretary of First American Title Company, LLC, Succes sor Trustee, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same

LONG TERM ROADWAY CLOSURE ON VARNEY ROAD, SOUTH OF ENNIS As a reminder for the upcoming 4th of July weekend, Varney Road between Gravelly Range Road and Varney Bridge Fishing Ac-cess Site is closed to all traffic. The closure is in effect until approximately November 15th for the replacement of the Blaine Spring

western portion of Varney road will ONLY be accessible from the Varney Road/Highway 287 intersection approximately 2 miles southwest of Ennis.

Site will ONLY be accessible from Varney Road/Highway 278 intersection approximately 9 miles Southeast of Ennis.

Reconstruction of the Gravelly Range Road and Varney Road intersection will be the only other substantial impact to travel, this work has been updated to occur in early to mid-

July. For additional information, please call 406-682-3520. Again, Varney Road between Gravelly Range Road and Varney Bridge Fishing Access Sute

Thank you. Knife River - Yellowstone Division

NOTICE TO CREDITORS MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY PROBATE NO. DP-29-2016-19 NOTICE TO CREDITORS MONTANA FIFTH JUDICAL DISTRICT, MADISON COUNTY

may be advanced. The Beneficiary anticipates and may disburse

Trustee to sell the above described property to satisfy the obligation.
The sale is a public sale and any person

Dalia Martinez

STATE OF Idaho

Amy Gough Notary Public Bingham County, Idaho Commission expires: 6-9-2021 J P Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. vs Carter/Hill (Pub. June 30, July 7, 14 2016) mk

PUBLIC ADVISORY

Creek Bridge

Access to Gravelly Range Road and the

Access to the Varney Bridge Fishing Access

will be closed until November 15.

PO BOX 1498 Billings, MT 59103 (Pub. June 30, July 7, 14 2016) kr

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HENRY JOHN HERBERT, ALSO KNOWN

PROBATE NO. DP-29-2016-19
THAT THE UNDERSIGNED HAS BEEN APPOINTED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE ABOVE NAMED ESTATE. ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST SAID DECEDENT ARE REQUIRED TO PRESENT THEIR CLAIMS WITHIN 4 MONTHS AFTER
THE DATE OF THE FIRST
PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE, OR SAID
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NOTICE, OR ALL CLAIMS WILL BE FOR-EVER BARRED.

CLAIMS MUST EITHER BE MAILED TO LINDA HAMILTON, PO BOX 205, VIRGINIA CITY, MT 59755, OR FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT. DATED: JUNE 17, 2016 //SS// LINDA R. HAMILTON, MADISON COUNTY PUBLIC ADMISTRATOR I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJU-RY LINDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF

RY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, THAT THE FOREGOING IS ACCURATE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. //S// LINDA R HAMILTON, MADISON COUNTY PUBLIC ADMINISTRA-

(Pub. June 30, July 7, 14 2016) lh MNAXLP

PUBLIC NOTICE FORM FOR CHANGE OF LOCATION

Notice of Intent to Transfer Location of Air Quality Permit (Pursuant to Section 75-2-211, MCA, and ARM Title 17, Chapter 8, Subchapter 7, PERMIT, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF AIR CONTAMINANT SOURC-ES). A.M. Welles, Inc. will file on or about June 24, 2016, a notification of intent to transfer location of an air quality permit with the Permitting and Compliance Division/Air and Waste Management Bureau of the Montana Department of Environmental Quality. Applicant seeks approval of its transfer of location of Gravel Crusher. Air quality Permit #2691 to Sec. 22, T125, R2E, Madison Co., 3.79 miles South on Hwy 87 from the Hwy 287 junction. The division must approve or disapprove the permit transfer within 30 days of receipt of a complete notice of intent. Any member of the public with question or who wishes to review a copy of the permit and the division's analysis of it or to submit comments on the change of location must contact the division at 1520 East Sixth Ave., P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901 phone (406) 444-3490. Any comments on the location transfer must be submitted to the division within 15 days after the date of this publication. (Pub. June 30, 2016) amw



PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the currently enacted legislation regarding the Opencut Mining Act (see Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 82-4-432[4&6]), Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc. has prepared this public notice to inform interested parties of a pending permit amendment for an existing opencut mine. As the current Operator of the Dean Hanson opencut facility, Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc. is required to provide the information herein. Following the successful amendment of the existing permit, the Operator intends to assign operation of the Dean Hanson pit to Madison County for use in road building and maintenance activities.

Site: Dean Hanson (Opencut# 606 - Approx. 7 miles south of Whitehall, MT along Hwy 55)

Current Operator: Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc.; 3099 Grand Ave.; Butte, MT 59701; Ph:(406) 723-6349.

Current Permit Acreage: 3.0 Acres; Proposed Permit Acreage: 59.0 acres.

Property Owner: Hanson Ranch, LLC; Average Reclamation Soil Depth: 15 inches.

Volume of Removed Materials: Up to 1,265,000 cubic yards of Gravel, Clay, and Sand.

Proposed Equipment: Crusher, Asphalt Plant, Screen, Conveyor Assembly, Grizzly, Dozers, Backhoes, Excavators, Loaders, Dump/Haul Trucks, Scraper, Pug Mill, etc.

Duration of Activities: Production will resume Summer 2016 and continue until Final Reclamation. Final Reclamation before October, 2055.

Reclamation before October, 2055.

Access Point: Unmarked approach opposite of Franich Lane along Highway 55. (Roughly 9.4 miles northeast of Silver Star, MT.

Legal Description: Section 36, Township 1N, Range 5W.

Members of the public seeking to have the Department of Environmental Quality organize a Public Meeting to review and comment on the specifics of the proposed opencut operations amendment must complete, detach, and mail the *Request for Public Meeting* form below.

Please feel free to contact Cole Peebles at the office of Great West Engineering at (406) 495-6172 or cpeebles@greatwesteng.com for further information regarding the contents of this notice & the proposed opencut mine amendment. A Site Map can be viewed by visiting: https://searchopencutpermits.mit.ov/. Type "Dean Hanson" into the Site Name Field and click "Submit." Refer to page 50 of the application PDF. Hard copies the Site Map can be obtained by contacting Cole Peebles of Great West Engineering.

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC MEETING

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is accepting requests for a public meeting on the following proposed opencut operation in your area:

Operator: Jim Gilman Excavating, Inc. Site: Dean Hanson County: Madison Opencut #: 606 Legal Description: Section 36, Township 1N, Range 5W

Public Meeting Request Period: The DEQ will accept requests for a public meeting until 7/20/2016.

SURFACE LANDOWNER SECTION

Landowner(s): If you wish to request a public meeting, complete the following and submit to: DEO Opencut Mining Program, Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620-0901; Fax: (406) 444-4988; Email: DEOOpencut@mt.gov

NOTES: When determining the number of surface landowners eligible to request a public meeting, multiple parties owning the same parcel of land are counted as 1 Landowner. A party owning multiple parcels of land is counted as one Landowner, regardless of the no. of parcels owned. YES or NO (Circle one) I request that DEQ conduct a public meeting about this proposed opencut operation

Landowner: Name (print or type) City, State, Zip

NOTE: Landowners can submit written comments about the proposed operation to the DEQ using the contact information listed below The following information applies to requests for a public meeting

In accordance with MCA 82-4-432[9], the DEQ must hold a public meeting in the area of the proposed operation applicant, or at least 30% of the property owners or 10 property owners, whichever is greater.

Prior to holding a public meeting, DEQ will send notice by first-class mail to surface owners of land located within one-half milithe boundary of the proposed permit area. The public meeting will be held within 30 days of the closing date of the public meeting request period indicated above

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MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DISPATCH LOG

6/5/16 - 6/25/16

6/5/16

Animal complaint at Main St and S First St Ennis Traffic complaint on Ennis Lake Rd Ennis Accident on Aunt Tex Road Alder Theft in 400 Blk S Main St

Sheridan Animal complaint in 100 Blk E Idaho St Virginia City

Disturbance in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Wildlife complaint on N Side of Norris Hill Norris Disturbance in 100 Blk E Steffens St Ennis

6/6/16

6/12/16

Welfare check in 200 Blk Ruby St Sheridan Traffic complaint at MT Hwy 287 and US Hwy 287 Ennis

Welfare check in 300 Blk W Grizzly St Ennis Disturbance on Depot Road Citizen assist in 100 Blk S

Boulder Road N Norris

6/7/16

Fire in 100 Blk E 8 Ave Twin Bridges Wildlife complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 27 Laurin Coroner call in Sheridan

6/8/16

Citizen assist in 300 Blk S Main St Twin Bridges Citizen assist on Laurin Loop Laurin Animal complaint at MT Hwy

41 MM 24 Twin Bridges Citizen assist on Old Mill Road Harrison

6/9/16

Theft on N Ennis Lake Road McAllister Theft on Main St Ennis Disturbance on Water St Sheri-

Animal complaint at US Hwy 287 MM 49 Ennis

6/10/16

Suspicious circumstances in 100 Blk S Main St Twin Bridges Suspicious circumstances at US Hwy 287 MM15 Cameron Public safety in 200 Blk McHessor Creek Road Twin Bridges Animal complaint at Hells Canyon Road and MT Hwy 41

Silver Star Suspicious circumstances on US Hwy 287 MM 49 Ennis

Wildlife complaint on Madison River McAllister Traffic complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 38 Cameron Suspicious circumstances on US Hwy 287 MM 49 Ennis

6/11/16

Citizen assist at Revenue Flats Area McAllister Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 56 McAllister Traffic complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 14 Cameron Citizen assist in 800 Blk Mirza Way Ennis Medical aid in 300 Blk E Main St Ennis

The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 79 Calls for Service from June 5-June 11, 2016.

Missing person in 800 Blk Middle Road Twin Bridges Suspicious circumstances on Ennis Lake Road McAllister Public safety in 200 Blk N Madison St Twin Bridges

6/13/16 Fire call on Ennis Lake Road McAllister

Traffic complaint on Fagin St Ennis

Twin Bridges

Fire call in 500 Blk S Main St

Welfare check in 200 Blk S Main St Twin Bridges Traffic complaint in 100 Blk S Main St Twin Bridges Missing person on Madison River Norris

6/14/16

Animal complaint at MT Hwy 287 and Tuke Lane Sheridan Suspicious circumstances on Galiger Lane Alder Fire call on Jack Creek Road

Ennis

Animal complaint in 600 Blk Mirza Way Ennis Animal complaint in 4300 Blk US Hwy 287 Ennis Medical aid in 300 Blk W Hugel St Ennis Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 62 Norris Wildlife call on US Hwy 287 MM 62 Norris Animal complaint on MT Hwy

41S MM 17 Twin Bridges

6/15/16

Animal complaint on MT Hwy 359 MM 6 Cardwell Fire call on S East St Pony Fire call on Whispering Pines Way Cardwell Disturbance in 200 Blk N Main St Ennis Welfare check in 800 Blk Middle Road Sheridan Animal complaint on MT Hwy 41N MM 24 Twin Bridges

Medical aid on Hoffert Lane

Suspicious circumstances on Placer Loop Virginia City

6/16/16

Abandoned vehicle in 100 Blk S Main St Twin Bridges Trespassing on Ruby River Dr Sheridan Animal complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 24 Cameron Suspicious circumstances in 200 Blk N Main St Ennis

6/17/16

Alarm call in 100 Blk W Main St Ennis Accident on MT Hwy 41 Silver Missing person on Jefferson

River Silver Star Theft on Geyser St Ennis Disturbance on S Boulder Road Cardwell Citizen assist on 2 St Cardwell Citizen assist on Depot Road

Ennis 6/18/16

Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 6 Out of Madison County Animal complaint in 3400 Blk MT Hwy 287 Sheridan Welfare check in 800 Blk Middle Road Twin Bridges Traffic complaint in 300 Blk

Main St Ennis Citizen assist on Ennis Lake Road McAllister Threats on Patrick Lane Sheri-

Traffic complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 27 Cameron Suspicious circumstances in 100 Blk N Main St Twin Bridges

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Animal complaint on Tendoy Way Ennis Wildlife call on MT Hwy 84 MM 6 Norris

The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 62 calls for service from June 12-June 18, 2016.



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6/19/16 Wildlife Call on Mt Hwy 287

MM 24 Alder Suspicious Circumstances on Sevler Ln Twin Bridges Suspicious Circumstances on Jensen Park Rd Twin Bridges Animal Complaint in 100 Blk Madison Trail Cameron Accident on US Hwy 287 MM 3 Cameron Animal Complaint on Bluff View Ln Ennis Vandalism/Criminal Mischief on Depot Rd Ennis Welfare Check on Water St Sheridan

6/20/16

Accident in 100 Blk E Main St **Ennis** Fire Call in 100 Blk S Madison St Twin Bridges Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 29 Sheridan Animal Complaint in 700 Blk S Second St Ennis

Suspicious Circumstances in

300 Blk E Main St Ennis

6/21/16

Sheridan

Threats in 100 Blk E Steffens St Animal Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 66 Norris Medical Aid on Patrick Ln Sheridan Threats in 200 Blk W Grizzly St Ennis Traffic Complaint in 100 Blk Lewis Ln Twin Bridges Medical Aid in 300 Blk N Main St Twin Bridges

Citizen Assist at US Hwy 287 MM 15 Cameron Medical Aid in 200 Blk Crofoot Ln Sheridan

6/22/16

Animal Complaint on US Hwy 287 MM 9 Cameron Citizen Assist on US Hwy MM 32 Cameron Welfare Check in 100 Blk W Hamilton Sheridan Medical Aid in 200 Blk Ruby St Sheridan Welfare Check in 5300 Blk MT Hwy 41 Silver Star

Medical Aid in 200 Blk Crofoot

Animal Complaint in 200 Blk E Armitage St Ennis Alarm in 100 Blk S Main St

Ln Sheridan

Twin Bridges Animal Complaint in 200 Blk Ruby Rd Sheridan Animal Complaint in 600 Blk Beaverhead St Ennis

Accident in 100 Blk MT Hwy 287 Ennis Threats on Redtail Hawk Rd

6/23/16

McAllister

Accident in 300 Blk S Main St Sheridan Coroners Call in 100 Blk Pattee St Pony Trespass in 100 Blk Lewis Ln Twin Bridges Animal Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM19 Alder Accident on MT Hwy 287 MM

6/24/16

41 Twin Bridges

Traffic Complaint in 100 Blk E Main St Ennis Accident on US Hwy 287 MM

52 Ennis

Suspicious Circumstances in Revenue Flats Area McAllister Vandalism/Criminal Mischief in 100 Blk W Main St Ennis

6/25/16 Alarm on Airport Rd Twin

Suspicious Circumstances in 300 Blk Mill St Sheridan Accident on Melrose Bench Rd Twin Bridges Fire Call Out of County Suspicious Circumstances at US Hwy 287 MM 30 Ennis Traffic Complaint on MT Hwy 287 MM 11 Ennis Traffic Complaint in 2300 Blk MT Hwy 287 Alder Suspicious Circumstances at Pennington Bridge Area Twin Bridges

The Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to 84 Calls for Service from June 19 - June 25,

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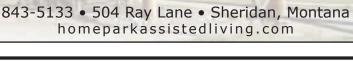
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Ruth Haak Memorial Scholarship awarded

SUBMITTED BY JANET SITTS

The Ruth Haak Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Ennis High School senior Race Owens on May 12, 2016.

Race will be attending Montana Tech in Butte. He will be pursuing a degree in mining engineering with the goal of working on mines in different countries around the world. He is a member of the National Honor Society and several all

state teams including crosscountry, basketball, track and speech, drama and debate. He is a leader in student government as student body president and is very active in community service.

The Ruth Haak Memorial Scholarship honors a long-time member of the Madison Valley and West Yellowstone communities. Haak, a former teacher, had a love of the outdoors, a strong desire to help others

and a commitment to community service. She was a cofounder of the Women of the Wilderness hiking group and a member of many organizations including the Madison Valley Historical Association, Madison River Foundation, the Madison Valley Ranchlands Group, Madison Valley Medical Center and United Women of West Yellowstone.

The \$1,000 scholarship is a continuing award.



The Madison Valley History Association learns about Paleoindians

SUBMITTED BY LARRY LOVE Madison Valley History Association

The June Madison Valley History Association program was Ruthann Knudson of Humanities Montana who gave a very informative talk about Paleoindians in Montana, 8,000 to 18,000 years ago. She has over 40 years experience in this field with a doctorate in anthropology.

She is currently working at Great Falls Montana State University and teaches an

online course about Indians of Montana. Knudson explained the Paleoindians were people that were the first to colonize and inhabit the Americas. She explained what radio carbon years and calendar years were and had a lot of numerous facts and places in Montana for these early day people.

Knudson mentioned that the northeast corner of the ice sheet was at Rainbow Dam in Great Falls. Early day people lived at the edge of this ice sheet and had to adapt to the

environment or die. Knudson talked about sites where artifacts of these people have been found such as Anzick/Wilsall, Canyon Ferry area, Glendive, Middle Kootenai River Valley, the Prickly Pear Valley by Helena, Avon site, sites in Wyoming, Idaho, North Dakota and the Canadian provinces.

The closest site is at Barton Gulch east of Ruby Reservoir. There is one called mammoth meadow by Dillon. Everyone had a lot of questions and the presentation was enjoyed by all.

COACH ROB LOTT AND **COACH STEVE DAVIS**

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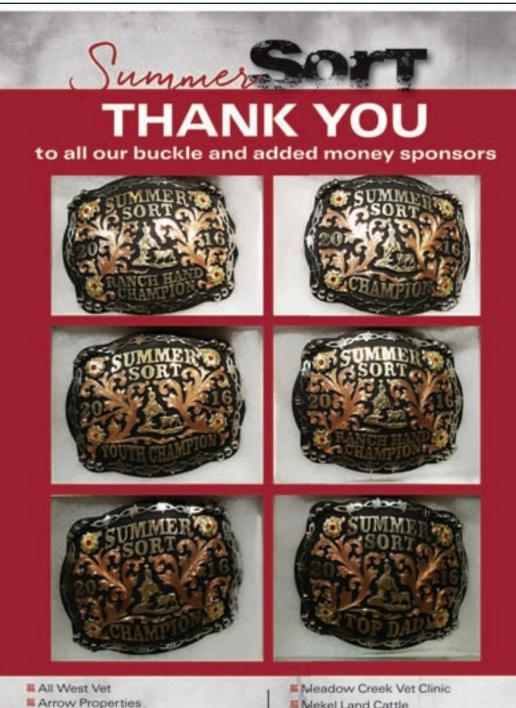
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Madison County Kindergarten Shots

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WHO: Madison County students entering kindergarten.

WHAT: The Madison County Public Health Department and the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana Care Van have teamed up to provide kindergarten entry immunizations. Clinics will be offered in Twin Bridges, Sheridan, Alder, Ennis and Harrison.

WHEN: Wednesday, July 6, 2016

WHERE: Twin Bridges ~ Wagon Wheel ~ 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Sheridan ~ Main Street ~ 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Alder ~ Chicks ~ 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Ennis ~ Senior Center ~ 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Harrison ~ Harrison School ~ 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Look for the big, white Care Van - you can't miss it.

Insurance not required, but if you have insurance please bring your card with you. There will be no out-of-pocket costs.

Make sure your kids are ready for kindergarten!



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MECHANICAL ENGINEER



SUBMITTED BY DORIE HILLIKER John Hilliker, 2009 Graduate of Sheridan High School, recently achieved his master of science in mechanical engineering from the University of Michigan at Dearborn, Mich.



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FRIDAY, JULY 15TH 9:00 A.M.—3:00 P.M.

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To reserve your booth please contact:

Melody Clark, MVM Activities Director, 682-7271 OR
Cherrie Zitting, MVM Auxiliary President, 682-5409

Booths must remain open until 3:00 p.m. Held outdoors at Madison Valley Manor Booth rental will be \$25 which includes lunch. Bring your own table/chair/shade

Proceeds will benefit the Madison Valley Manor Activity Program



CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR PEGGY TODD

Friends and Family are invited to Peggy's house at 316 East Ennis Street | Monday, July 4th from 2-4 p.m.
Light refreshments will be served.
Internment of Ashes will follow at Ennis Cemetery



SENIOR MEALS, VIRGINIA CITY

Senior meals for Madison County Seniors 60 and over will be served at the Virginia City Cafe on **Tuesday & Thursdays** (through May 2016) from 11:30 am to 2:00 for \$3.50.

May 12: Mac n cheese, green beans, roll, cookie

May 17: Quiche & salad bar, peach cheese cake crumble

May 19: Chicken enchiladas, rice, refried beans, cookies

May 24: Chicken salad on croissant, fruit, straw. shortcake

May 26: Hamburger casserole, salad, roll, choc. cake **May 31:** Lasagna, salad, garlic toast, choc. ice cream

MEALS FOR SENIORS, TWIN BRIDGES

The TBS&CC provides meals for seniors every Tuesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m. at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Twin Bridges for seniors 60 years and up. (Spouse and caregivers are invited.) Donations for meals are appreciated.

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MEALS ON WHEELS, SHERIDAN

The Sheridan Senior Center offers meals for seniors 60 years and over **Monday - Friday.** Seniors may choose to eat at the senior center, family style for \$3.50 or have their meal delivered for \$4.00. Delivered meals are within the city limits of Sheridan and should be called in by 10 a.m. Call Shirley Sand at 842-5966.

ENNIS MEALS ON WHEELS, ENNIS Tuesday-Friday 11:45 am to 12:30 pm

Reservations 682-4422

To help us plan, please call at least 24 hours in advance for meal delivery or if you plan to dine in. Ennis Senior center, $315~\mathrm{W}$ Main Street

JUNE 30, - JULY 7, 2016 MENU

THURSDAY JUNE 30: TURKEY & STUFFING, VEGGIES, DESSERT**FRIDAY JUNE 24:** BROCCOLI BEEF, RICE, DESSERT

FRIDAY JULY 1: GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH, BROCCOLI SALAD, DESSERT TUESDAY JULY 5: HAM SANDWICH, POTATO CHIPS, FRUIT, DESSERT WEDNESDAY JULY 6: BINGO! GOULASH, SALAD, DINNER ROLL, DESSERT THURSDAY JULY 7: CHICKEN FRIED STEAK - GRAVY, MASHERS, VEGGIES

Manor Activity Program

THURSDAY JULY 7: CHICKEN FRIED STEAK - GRAVY, MASHERS, VEG

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SATURDAY JULY 2

Music, Virginia City Kevin Clark will play the Bale of Hay Saloon beginning at 9 p.m.

Book reading, Ennis Ellen Melphrus will be discussing and reading from her book, "Untying the Moon" beginning at 11 a.m. at the library.

Presentation, Lewis and Clark Caverns Lewis and Clark Caverns Ranger Derrick Rathe will discuss the importance of snakes and how they

MONDAYS

Commissioner's Meeting, Virginia City Madison Co. Com-

missioners meet every

Monday, unless noted, public welcome. 9:30 a.m. Annex Build-

ing

KnitNite, Ennis

Meets at Right Angles

Framing and Gallery from 5-7 p.m. the first and third Monday of

the month.

TUESDAYS

Madison County

Mental Health Local

Advisory Council, Virginia City Meeting the first Tues-

day of each month

from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

in County Commis-

sioner's conference

room.

Ennis Arts Association.

Ennis Meet on the second

Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m.

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Children's Story &

Craft Time for babies,

Virginia City

Every Tuesday at

10:30 a.m. at the

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Library.

Movie Night, VIrginia City

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WEDNESDAYS

Tennis, Ennis

9 a.m. til 2p.m., come

play tennis at the

Madison Meadows

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welcome.

Open Sew, Ennis

Open Sew with the

Quilt Guild- open to the public from 2-5pm

af Madison Valley

Public Library

TOPS, Ennis

are all not that bad. Begins at 8 p.m.

JULY 3-4

Nearly New, Ennis Open for the holiday weekend! 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday.

> **MONDAY** JULY 4

Music, Virginia City Tom Susani will play the Bale of Hay Saloon beginning at 9 p.m.

Fireworks, Virginia City Firework show begins at

Madison Valley Public Library, 10:30 a.m. 682-7244

Grief Support Group,

Ennis

Everyone welcome.

Meet's every Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Madi-son Valley Baptist Church

Yoga, Virginia City

Gentle yoga with Andrea Frederick at 5:30

p.m. at the library.

Farmers' market, Ennis

From 5-7 p.m. in the Elementary School

parking lot.

THURSDAYS

MV Women's Club

FIRST THURS OF EA.

MONTH

NO meetings June,

July or August.

MV Manor Auxilary

Meeting, Ennis SECOND THURS OF EA.

MONTH

1 p.m., Madison Val-

ley Manor SunRoom

Constitution classes

6 p.m. at the Ennis High School, room #3.

Farmers' market,

Sheridan

From 4:30-6:30 p.m. in

the Main Street Park.

Children's Story &

Craft Time Elementary **kids, Virginia City** Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the

Thompson Hickman

Library.

FRIDAYS

Tennis, Ennis

9 a.m. til 2p.m., come

play tennis at the

Madison Meadows

Golf Course. All levels

welcome.

Story Time, Ennis Pre-K fo Grade 2, 11 a.m. Madison Valley

Public Library. 682-

7244.

Live Music, Ennis

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this page for perform-

ers.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-

SUNDAY

Live Music - Norris

7 p.m.

SUNDAYS

dusk. Bring your blanket to the Library lawn for the show.

Memorial ceremony, **Ennis**

We invite you to gather at the Madison Valley Veterans' Memorial, immediately following the parade, for the annual Fourth of July brick dedication ceremony.

BBQ, Virginia City Virginia Elks Lodge Fourth of July barbeque begins at 12 p.m.

THURSDAY JULY 7

Wine tasting, Ennis Wine, food, art auction and live music begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Jumping Horse Ranch. For more information, call 565-2903.

SATURDAY JULY 9

Karaoke, Virginia City Karaoke at the Bale of Hay Saloon beginning at 9 p.m.

Wildlife speaker series, Sheridan

Jack Kirkley will be presenting on wetland and riparian birds at the Silver Springs Ranch beginning at 8 a.m. Breakfast included.

Wildlife speaker series, Ennis

Steve Primm of People and Carnivores will be presenting on bears at the Lions Club Park at 5 p.m.

Hike, Lewis and Clark Cavern

Come take a short hike to see a wide variety of Bats flying around the Jefferson River. Begins at 9 p.m.

Celebration of life, Ennis

Please join us to celebrate the life of Myrna Woirhaye. Service at Red Bluff Cemetery in Norris at 2 p.m. with a reception to follow at the El Western.

SUNDAY JULY 10

Piano concert, Virginia City

Fourth annual Ella Irvine Mountjoy piano concert at the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center at 7 p.m. Call 843-5507 for more information.

Artist reception, Virginia City

Reception with artist of the month Jody Everts at the Elling House Arts and Humanities Center at 5:30 p.m.

JULY 10-16

Drama camp, Virginia City

The Elling House Arts and Humanities Center presents Virginia City

Drama Camp for ages 9-17. Call 843-5507 for more information.

MONDAY JULY 11

History program, Laurin

"Jeannette Ranking: Myth and Reality" by Dr. Jim Lopach and Dr. Jean Luckowski at the Robber's Roost at 6:30 p.m.

Presentation, Ennis William Rossiter will give a presentation at the library about America's labor history beginning at 7 p.m.

Meeting, Ennis

American Legion Post 65 will meet at the V.F.W. at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY JULY 12

Book reading, Ennis Ally McWilliams will read from her book "Big Sky" at the library at 5 p.m.

THURSDAY JULY 14

Magic show, Ennis Magic show for the entire family at the library beginning at 10 a.m.

Magic show, Virginia City

Mr. E. Magic show for all ages begins at 10:30 a.m. at the library.

Meeting. Ennis

Fan Mountain Red Hat Ladies luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at the Ennis Senior Center.

FRIDAY JULY 15

Wee Dog, Virginia City Kick off event for Dog and Grog at 9 p.m. at the Bale of Hay Saloon.

> Presentation, Lewis and Clark Caverns Archer Ellwein of

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Dog and Grog, Virginia City

Montana microbrew festival under the big tent from 12-7 p.m. Music by the Gallatin Grass Project and the Rocky Mountain Pearls.

Air fair, Ennis The annual Ennis Air Fair kicks off at 8 a.m. at the Ennis-Big Sky Airport. For more information call 682-7502.

MONDAY JULY 18

Camp, Ennis Good Thymes Camp, week two. Camp will run everyday of the week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Concert, Alder Dave Stamey to perform an afternoon concert at the Quinn Homestead, south of Alder. Please call 842-5940 for more information.

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June 30, 2016

FIREWORKS IN MADISON COUNTY

Rules and restrictions for the Fourth of July

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Fourth of July is common holiday for family barbeques, fashioning the red, white and blue and celebrating our country's independence by lighting up the Big Sky with fireworks.

So whether you choose to attend a firework display or create your own, here is what you need to know in order to have a lawful and safe display in Madison County while being in accordance with your town's code. And remember, all towns are at the mercy of Mother Nature - should any local fire department or the United States Forest Service determine a high risk for fire danger, fireworks will be prohibited.

Ennis:

Town code states it is a violation to ignite, explode or fire of any rockets, firecrackers, Roman candles, torpedoes or any substance of an explosive nature within town limits on any day of the year, unless you have obtained a permit.

However, the rules change during two holidays: July 4th and New Years Eve. Ordinace 6-4-1 states " ... the prohibition set forth in this code section shall not apply to the discharge of fireworks on July 3 through July 4, and Dec. 31 through Jan. 1" upon the following conditions:

•There shall be no discharge of fireworks 12 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. beginning July 3 and

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from or into any state recreation area, local ending the morning of July 5. park, school or state highway.

•There shall be no discharge of fireworks within 100 feet of a church or medical facility; or within 75 feet of any business location.

•There shall be no discharge of fireworks from or toward a motor vehicle.

•There shall be no discharge of fireworks within or on East Main Street, West Main Street or North Main Street.

•There shall be no discharge of fireworks in the vicinity of or toward another person or group of people, or in the vicinity of or toward any animal, in such manner to expose such person, persons or animal to the risk of injury

•There shall be no discharge of any fireworks within 200 feet of any business dispensing any flammable fuel or compressed gas product.

•There shall be no possession or use of any firework by a person less than 18 years old, unless such person is under the direct supervision of a responsible person 18 years

•Any person discharging or supervising the discharge of fireworks as provided in this section shall promptly clean and remove any litter, garbage or debris resulting from such discharge, and shall responsibly dispose of such litter, garbage or debris.

Fireworks may be lit in the hours between

Any violations to the code are punishable by a fine.

Virginia City:

In the historic old mining town, the sale and display of fireworks within the outside boundaries of the town is strictly prohibited.

Town oridnance 4-6-1 states "it shall be unlawful for any person to sell or otherwise dispose of, explode, burn, ignite, or fire off any rockets, firecrackers, Roman candles or display containing any substance of any explosive nature within the outside boundaries of the town."

Any person or organization interested in a firework display for any celebration are required to obtain a permit from the town and anyone who violates the ordinance is punishable by a fine.

Sheridan:

Section one of the firework ordinance states "The discharge or detonation of any manner of fireworks, other than sparklers, composed of combustible, incendiary or explosive materials, including but not limited to firecrackers, sky rockets, bombs or pyrotechnic displays, within the jurisdictional limits of the Town of Sheridan is prohibited except on July 4 during the period from 12 noon until 12 midnight."

However, any qualified person or

representative of any organization or association can obtain a permit for a "supervised public display of ordinary Class C Acommon fireworks between the hours of 5 p.m. and midnight on July 4 for the purpose of recognizing and celebrating Independence

All fireworks and displays should follow Montana Code Annotated and violators are subject to a fine.

Twin Bridges:

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Similar to the above ordinances, the Town of Twin Bridges allows fireworks "a couple days before and after the fourth," according to Mayor Tom Hyndman.

"They cannot light them after 10 p.m. on those nights and until midnight on the fourth,"

For further rules and restrictions, call the Twin Bridges town office at 684-5243.

Public and National Forest land:

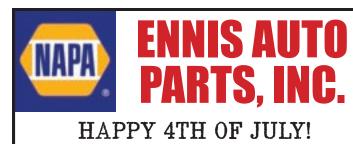
David Abrams, public affairs specialist with the Bureau of Land Management Western Montana District specified the prohibited use of fireworks on all public lands.

"We prohibit the use, discharge or possession of fireworks on all public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management," Abrams said. "This also includes exploding targets, which have been a concern for us in recent years. We want

> people to enjoy their public lands, but to do so safely and responsibly."

Visitors are encouraged to celebrate the holiday in the National Forests but anyone in possession of or discharge fireworks are subject to a fine of up to \$300, according to Beaverhead-Deerlodge

public National Forest information officer Leona Rodreick.



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TRAVELINGOVER INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND WILL BE UP THIS YEAR

SUBMITTED BY ANNA O'DONNELL more AAA MountainWest

AAA projects nearly 43 million Americans will travel this Independence Day weekend. This represents the highest Fourth of July travel volume on record and five million more travelers compared to Memorial Day weekend. The holiday travel period is defined as Thursday, June 30 to Monday, July 4.

"Spurred by the 2005 this time of year, billion on gasoline so far

ever are planning to same period in 2015, which travel this Independence has made travel more weekend," said affordable. Day O'Donnell, Anna AAAspokesperson. "Whether record-breaking year they're traveling by car, for summertime travel plane, train or cruise in Montana," continued ship, it will be exciting to O'Donnell. "This trend is see so many Americans welcome news for the celebrating our nation's freedom with their friends and family over the long to our nation's highways holiday weekend."

United States drivers lowest gas prices since have saved about \$20

"We are well on our MountainWest way for 2016 to be a travel industry and a sign that Americans are taking and skies like never before."

Montanans than this year compared to the increase in auto travel to 3.3 million travelers. this Independence Day

> Eighty-four percent of holiday travelers - more than 36 million people - will drive to their Independence Day destinations, an increase of 1.2 percent over last year. Air travel is expected to increase 2.2 percent over last year, with 3.3 million Americans flying this Independence Day.

Travel by other modes of transportation, including cruises, trains and buses, Low gas prices driving will increase two percent

Independence Day gas prices in more than a

Low gas prices are Independence Day motivating millions of less than one year ago.

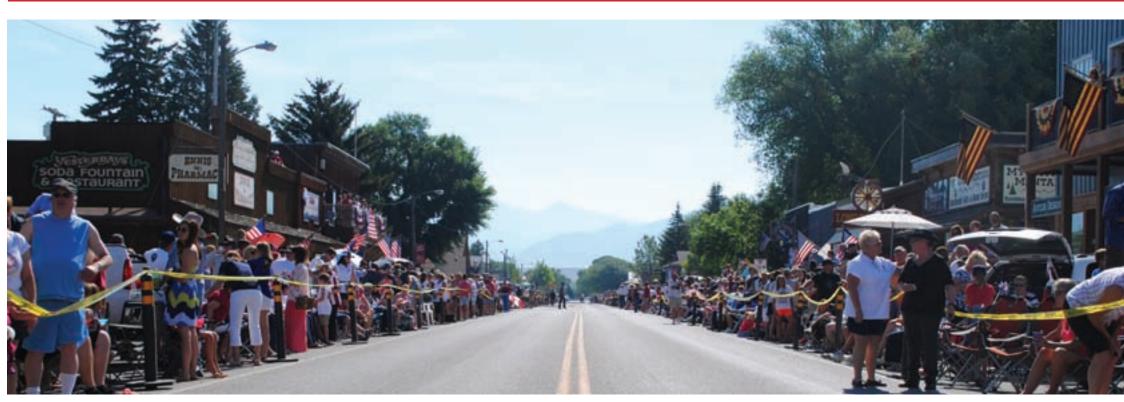
The current average last Independence Day.

for regular gas in Montana Drivers to pay lowest is \$2.34. Last year at this time it was \$2.79.

> Airfares and hotel rates lower than last

According to AAA's Americans to travel this Leisure Travel Index, Independence Day. Despite average airfares for the recent seasonal increases, top 40 domestic flight gasoline prices remain routes will be nine percent well below recent years. less this Independence The national average price Day, with an average for a gallon of gasoline is roundtrip ticket costing \$2.31, which is 48 cents \$207. Hotel costs have fallen slightly compared to

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ABIGAIL DENNIS/THE MADISONIAN The main street of Ennis just before the parade begins.



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ERIN LEONARD/THE MADISONIAN Fireworks light the sky over Virginia City last Fourth of July.



ABIGAIL DENNIS/ THE MADISONIAN The Fourth of July in Madison County means parades, barbecues and ... rodeos! Amanda Russell from **Ennis carries the** American flag around the Ennis **Rodeo Grounds** to kick of the 2015 rodeo.

WORD ON THE STREET

FOURTH OF JULY TRADITIONS - HOW MADISON COUNTY RESIDENTS CELEBRATE

"We help the volunteer fire department to collect donations and then help with the clean up after the fireworks."

John McDougall — Virginia City

"Usually watch the fireworks and go to the parade and rodeo." Daie Simpson – Virginia City

"This year we're taking my mom to the Oregon coast — we'll be on the beach for the fourth!"

Kari Reintsma — Sheridan

"We try to have a barbeque for the residents and then take anyone interested to watch the fireworks in Virginia City."

Fran Galiger with Home Park — Sheridan

"We love to go on the wildflower drive on the top of the Gravelly Range."

Julie Ward — Sheridan

"My mom always has a barbeque in Bozeman on the fourth and we usually go to the rodeo on the third."

Carolyn Nelson — Waterloo

"We'll go to Virginia City for the fireworks."

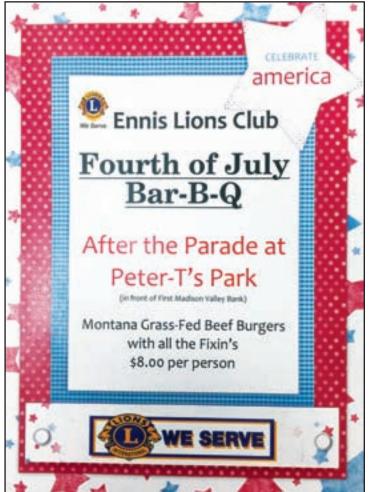
Riah Edsall and Taryn Johnson — Twin Bridges

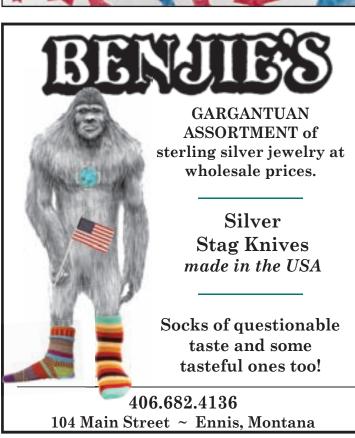
"I always have chicken for a crowd – that's our Fourth of July tradition."

Carol McMullin — Ennis



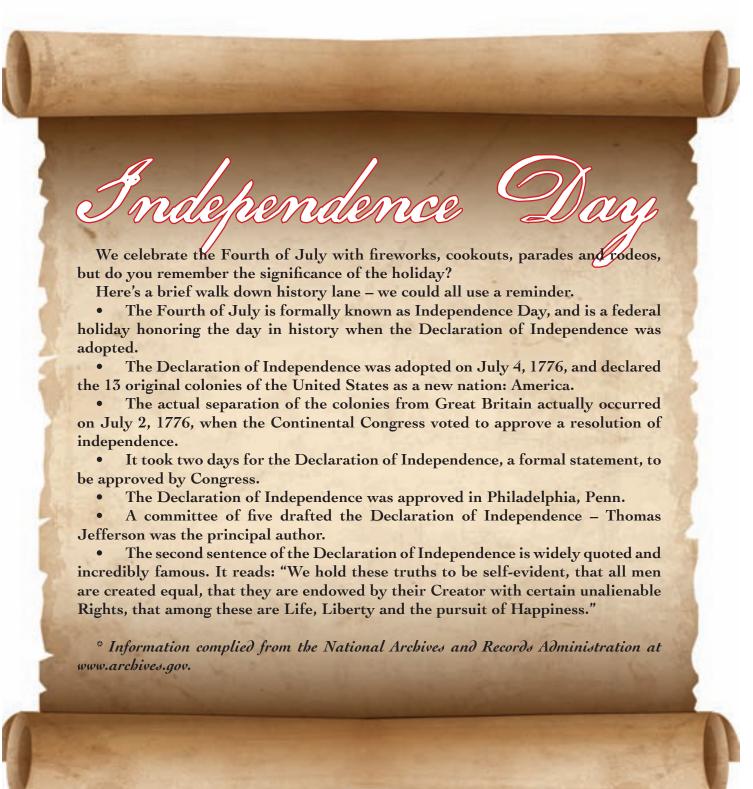


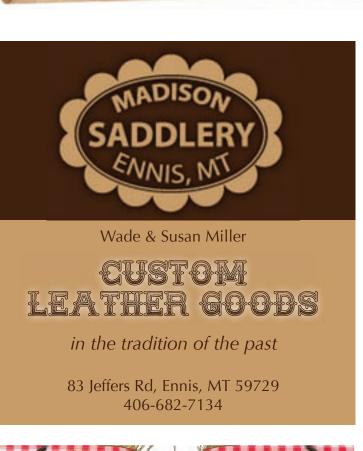








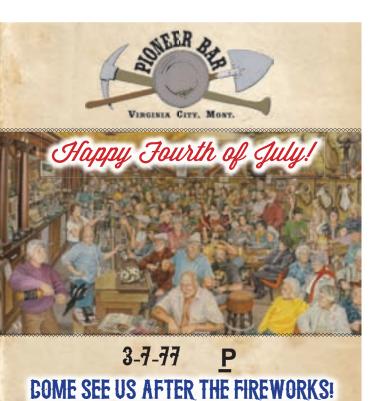














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KEEP OUR ROADS SAFE - DO NOT DRINK AND DRIVE

BY LYNN LOWDER Madison County DUI Task Force

The Fourth of July is right around the corner, which means fun and BBQs. Last year for some, this included alcohol at an estimated \$1 billion in beer sales alone. Sometimes, this leads to bad decision making. Some of these are harmless, like wearing your grandma's sun bonnet or a lampshade or singing karaoke, while others are downright dangerous like driving impaired. The bad decision to drive when impaired has made the Fourth of July the deadliest day of the year on our roads.

The average number of people arrested for DUI annually is 1.5 million. Consider

impaired approximately 80 times before they are ever caught and arrested; this is 120 million episodes of impaired driving. In the United States 80 percent of people who drove impaired were males. In Madison County, approximately 88 percent were male. Twothirds of all fatal crashes involve an impaired driver; most U.S. being the worst. In Madison County the most impaired driving crashes happen on Saturdays during these hours, 7p.m. to 9 p.m. and midnight to

then that someone drives and 3 a.m. In Montana, the most impaired driving crash day is Saturday during the hours of midnight to 2 a.m. Second worse day is Sunday during the hours of midnight to 2 a.m. So almost identical for county, state and the country.

Fifty-four percent of DUI offenders reported drinking beer. The numbers tell a story. These stats are just not a impaired crashes happen number to us because often between midnight and 3 a.m. times we know the person with Saturday and Sunday behind the number. Many in our small rural county know who is behind the statistic and that makes it personal. Based on previous data for Madison County, it makes sense to 2 a.m. Sundays are the second try to not travel on Saturdays worst in Madison County or Sundays during the high between the hours of 2 a.m. probability times for impaired

driving crashes - you could be saving your family and yourself by making the conscious decision to not drive during these times.

DUI is the number one crime in Madison County resulting in death, and it is totally preventable. Protecting our citizens from DUI should be a top priority for our law enforcement, judicial system and state. There is an attitude that, "This won't happen to me." But it has happened to many, and it could happen to you or a loved one; it's time to be proactive - if you plan to drink then plan for a ride.

Law enforcement will be out in full force over the Fourth of July weekend, enforcing our DUI laws.

Sources: Statistic Brain, NHTSA, Madison County DUI SAMSHA

Task Force, MDOT, CDC,



NOT JUST A NUMBER



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For most people, data collection is just numbers. For us, it's not just numbers, because we live in a small rural area, more often than not we know the person behind the statistic. We know person behind the number.

We do not want the 100 deadliest days to be in Madison County. We do not want the deadliest time on the roads during the Fourth of July to be here in Madison County. The Montana Department of Transportation has a goal of zero deaths on Montana highways. This is an extreme goal; worthy of obtaining, but difficult.

The Madison County DUI Task Force thinks zero deaths in Madison County during the 100 deadliest days is an obtainable goal. But every goal must put forth the efforts needed achieve that goal. According to AAA, crashes drivers increase significantly during the summer months.

Nine of the 10 deadliest days for youth on United States highways fall between May and August.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, crashes involving an impaired driver will increase dramatically over the summer months that include a holiday. The summer season usually offers the best weather and driving conditions of the year - dry roads, excellent visibility and longer daylight hours. But the seasonal benefits can be negated by other factors. According to the NHTSA, a higher volume of holiday travelers, including a significantly higher number of alcoholimpaired drivers, cause nearly twice the number of automotive deaths during summer months than during the rest of the year combined.

The Fourth of July holiday is the deadliest of them all.

Anytime you drive impaired, you increase your risk of being in a crash. Montana Highway Patrol will be out in full force during the holiday weekend. Keeping our roads safe by not driving impaired saves lives in our small rural

county most likely it's a life

of someone you know! You protect yourself all the time from potential harm. Why not limit the time you drive or consciously be aware that these are the times and the day to be more vigilante as a defensive driver on the roads of Madison County?







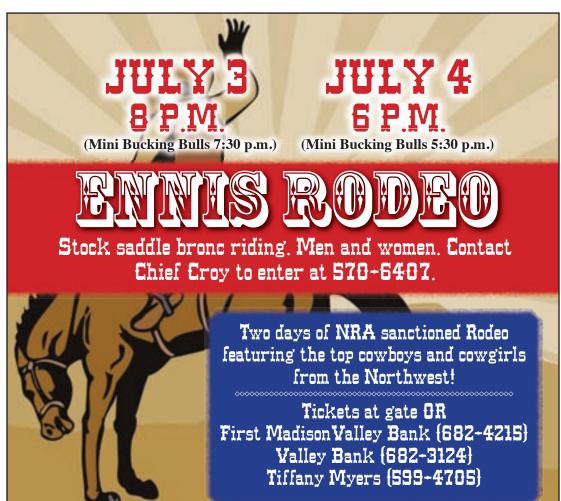
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KIDS WHO START DRINKING YOUNG ARE 7 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE IN AN ALCOHOL-RELATED CRASH 7

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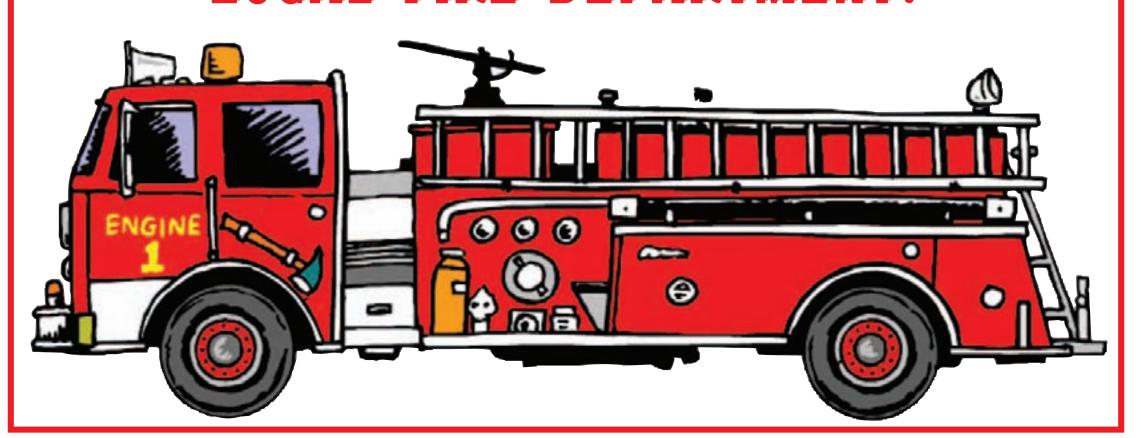
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PARKING W ENNIS

The Madisonian reached out to Ennis chief of police John Moore for tips about enjoying Fourth of July festivities and following the law.

Moore focused on parking law highlights, since Ennis swells in size during the holiday and things can get a little crazy downtown.

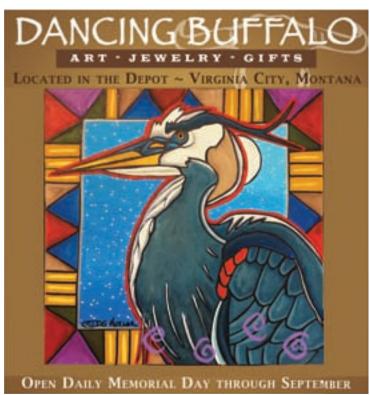
Read on for more information, courtesy of Moore:

- Motor Vehicles shall be diagonally parked on East Main Street in accordance with the markings placed upon those streets. The vehicles must be parked within the lines.
- Vehicles parking on other roads shall park in the direction of traffic and as and in the same direction as traffic. close to the curb as possible and as far off the roadway as possible.
 - Motor vehicles shall not be parked within the town:
 - Crosswalk: Upon a marked crosswalk so designated by yellow painted stripes upon the street.
 - Intersection: 20 feet of an intersection between two streets.
 - Fire Hydrant: Within 10 feet of a marked and painted fire hydrant.
 - Sidewalk: Within a sidewalk or sidewalk area.
 - Stop Sign: within 30 feet upon the approach to any stop sign, or official traffic control device located at the side of a roadway
 - •Alley: Vehicles shall not be parked within an alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than 10 feet of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic. Vehicles shall not be parked within an alley in such a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property.

- Time limitation: Motor vehicles, farm equipment or any other type of vehicle or equipment shall not be parked on the streets for a period of time longer than five days.
- Official signs: Vehicles or equipment shall not be parked at any place where official signs prohibit parking.
- U-Turns are prohibited on East Main Street.
- On North Main Street vehicles are welcome to park off the paved surface and in the same direction as traffic.
- When a vehicle parks on any street they are prohibited from blocking a driveway.
 - Businesses may restrict parking in private lots by placing signs.
 - Emergency and hospital parking only in the north lot of the hospital.
- Campers and vehicles with trailers: parking is available in the Ennis Elementary School parking lot.
- Camping is prohibited in the Ennis Elementary School parking lot and along the highway right of way within town limits.

Please be patient and careful while driving in town especially on the Fourth of July.













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